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Brother Joseph McTaggart was elected by Group 17 to replace Brother Robert Belanger as a delegate for the 1973 provincial chapter. Brother Robert had asked to be excused.

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Brother Bennet Nettleton was awarded first prize in the Pacific Escape Contest of the Home and Flower Show in Cleveland. The prize is a 15-day all expense trip for two to 14 cities in Tapei, Japan and Hong Kong. Brother John Stout will accompany Brother Bennet. Brother Bennet has been teaching a course in Oriental culture for the past eight years at St. Edward's and the trip will enable him to gain first-hand experience of these cultures. He and Brother John will leave at the conclusion of the summer session at St. Ed's in late July.

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Carl Abele, a former member of the Midwest Province, as well as a former St. Ed's student, will be ordained to the priesthood at the Cathedral in Anchorage, Alaska, on May 1. He will be the first priest from the United States to be ordained in Alaska. After ordination, Carl will continue his work in Anchorage. His first Mass will be offered in Cleveland May 13.

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Brother Germain Faddoul (SW) will be ordained a priest in the Byzantine Melkite Rite on June 3 in the Church of the Holy Transfiguration, Vienna, Virginia.

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Recently, Brother Andrew Steffes and Brother Florian Gill began working with a group of Christ the King Parishoners in a program to provide housing for the poor in the South Bend area. Sub-standard homes are purchased by the group and then reconditioned. When the work is completed, the homes are sold to deserving families for the cost of the homes plus reconditioning expenses. The work is done on Saturdays and all labor is volunteer labor. Both Brother Andrew and Brother Florian find the activity a rewarding apostolic experience.

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The annual bake sale to provide funds for the operation of Corvella Home was held Holy Saturday. Brother Flavius reports that it was successful, with all goods sold by noon.

The News Notes mistakenly reported that Brother Thomas Shaughnessy had been appointed Acting Director of Father Gibault School for Boys. Brother Thomas writes that the President of the Board had asked him to accept the position of Director and that he acceded to the request.

Brother Thomas Dillman writes from Liberia: "We are beginning to feel the pinch of gradually mounting living expenses. In some cases, food prices have gone up as much as 15% in recent weeks. Even the Liberian beef is now too high for us to use. And we have lost most of the food we formerly received for our cafeteria from the World Foods Organization. Consequently, I fear we will have to raise our present \$4 per semester charge for our cafeteria fee in the coming year, if not in the coming semester.

Brother James Moroney conducted a three-day retreat for the Brothers at Holy Cross High School, New Orleans, on the final three days of Holy Week.

Brother James Hanson (SW), who is studying at the Biblical Institute in Jerusalem, conducted a Week of Prayer for the Brothers in Dacca from April 14 to April 21. Some of the Priests in Dacca also joined with the Brothers. Brother Gerald reports that more than 25 were present for the prayer experience.

Construction on a second dormitory is scheduled to begin in a month or so at Father Gibault School for Boys.

Fr. Louis Putz, CSC, Director of Family Life Services for the Diocese of Ft. Wayne/South Bend, is working on the establishment of neighborhood houses in South Bend to provide for the elderly of the area. He hopes to utilize Holy Cross Priests, brothers and sisters in this project. Brother Kieran Ryan has been invited to serve as President of the Board of Directors of the Harvest House Project, as it is called, and Brother Leon Gnewuch is committed to work with the project. The first of these houses is expected to be in operation this summer. Three others are expected to be established by the end of the year.

Brother Rene Guertin has signed an exclaustation for one year.

SUGGESTED READING: To Teach as Jesus Did, Statement of the United States Bishops on Catholic Education. United States Catholic Conference, Washington, D. C. 1973.
