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My dear People:

I am tired this morning! I am writing this on April 26th. I got home last night after a splendid four-day jaunt around the Diocese, but I am tired. However, my physical tiredness is nothing in the light of the tremendous satisfaction I am still experiencing from our MRI Service on Saturday at 11:30 in the Intercession, Stevens Point. Father Kimbrough and his people did us up royally. Father Stewart had the whole congregation singing as I have seldom heard a congregation sing. It was magnificent! Bishop Atkins gave us a splendid talk and the offering in excess of \$4,200.00 was even beyond my hopes and expectations! All together, it was a most inspiring and wonderful occasion. I am just sorry for any who missed it.

In my Diary, you will read of many things going on this past month, and elsewhere you will read of our Annual Council plans. I hope you will be there

I must say a word here about the decision of the Episcopal Churchwomen to disband as a Diocesan organization. I cannot say I am sorry or I am glad for the decision. I do say I accept the decision and I want the women of the Diocese to accept it too. As I cautioned the women at the end of the meeting, there is a responsibility for dissolution and let us measure up to it. We have no Diocesan Episcopal Churchwomen. Now let us act that way.

Faithfully, your friend and bishop,
✠ WILLIAM H. BRADY

DIARY

April 1 Mass at the Convent. Along with several of our clergy went to hear Margaret Mead speak at the local University campus. Father Bruce had dinner with Margaret and me.

April 2 Celebrated at the Convent.

April 3 To St. Alban's, Marshfield. Got there in time to hear Father Kaestner's final instructions to the little children who were making their first Communion the next morning. Made one hospital visit with him and had dinner with Charles and Anne Pors. How wonderful it is to see Charles coming along so magnificently. In his long illness he has shown us all of the great Christian virtues that he has always evidenced. We thank God for him and his great example to us.

April 4, Palm Sunday, I attended the early mass at St. Alban's to learn how to do it. One of the prices we pay for the great privilege of Liturgy renewal is the Bishop has to learn each Sunday how to say mass! At 9:30 I blessed the palms, took part in the procession, preached, confirmed 9, received 2. In the evening I attended a Lenten Youth Bash at All Saints', Appleton. I have never been to anything like it before, but I have never been to a more reverent, devout mass before.

April 5 Celebrated at the Convent.

April 6 Mass at the Convent. Made a call on a very sick person in the hospital in Madison.

April 7 Mass at the Convent.

April 8 Had the Chrism Mass in the Cathedral with almost all of our clergy present, and blessed the Holy Oils for the year. I think we don't realize how much we mean to one another. I sometimes wonder if our clergy know how much they strengthen and inspire me whenever they turn up (and I know sometimes it is very difficult for them) at any one of our many Diocesan gatherings. The Maundy Thursday Chrism Mass is one of the great moments in the Bishop's life. At 5 o'clock I took the Cathedral Parish Mass.

April 9 I took the Liturgy at the Cathedral and on the 10th I blessed the Paschal Candle at the Convent and confirmed 2 and received 2 in the Cathedral.

April 11, Easter, I took the early mass at the Cathedral, presided at the late mass and preached.

April 12 Celebrated at the Convent. Son, Bill, and I went to Chicago where I am to meet with the Bishops of this Province on Tuesday and also to have a visit with Dean Maxwell about our coming Annual Council on Tuesday afternoon.

April 15, 16 and 17 Celebrated at the Convent and caught up on much office work.

April 18 To Sheboygan Falls where I confirmed 6 and received 2, preached and celebrated. Splendid congregation.

April 19 Celebrated at the Convent. To Oshkosh where I made the final plans for our Annual Council.

April 20 Celebrated at the Convent.

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SCHEDULE FOR THE ANNUAL COUNCIL

Friday, May 14 - 1:00-3:00 p.m.
Registration.

6:00-7:00 p.m. - Break.

The regular Council business will be handled during the afternoon session.

7:00 p.m. - Dinner and Dean Maxwell will take over.

The evening session will end by 9:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 15 - 7:00-9:00 a.m. - Breakfast.

The Council will re-convene under Dean Maxwell's leadership at 9:00 a.m. and continue until 12:00 noon.

12:00 Noon - Council Mass followed by luncheon and concluding of the Council business.

Adjournment should come by 3:00 in the afternoon.

DIARY - Continued

April 21 Celebrated at the Cathedral for the Annual and final meeting of the Episcopal Churchwomen, and then made an address which I am publishing elsewhere in this issue.

April 22 Celebrated at the Convent. To Green Bay where I gave a talk to the Serra Club. The Serra Club is a national organization of Roman Catholic laymen dedicated to the fostering and nurturing of vocations in the Church. This is a splendid purpose, one we surely need very much.

April 23 Had a good visit with Father and Mrs. Donnelly at St. Joseph's House. Then to the Intercession, Stevens Point, where I confirmed 8 for Stevens Point, one for Wisconsin Rapids, preached and celebrated. A good supper with all the people. After supper I visited with Father and Mrs. Lewis.

April 24 Said the mass for the MRI service, which I have spoken of in my letter. This was just tremendous. Then on to Rhinelander, stopping for a visit with Father and Mrs. Valentine and their three children on the way. In Rhinelander I met with Father Rogers and the vestry.

April 25 Said the early mass and preached at Rhinelander and then at the late mass I confirmed 9, received 2 and preached. Drove home. I am glad people in Wisconsin are at least getting an afternoon when they can get on the road, but I wish they would get out of the way when they see me coming.

Faithfully, your friend and bishop,
✠ WILLIAM H. BRADY

HAVE YOU CONTRIBUTED TO THE PB'S FUND FOR WORLD RELIEF?

The year 1970 saw youngsters have their legs blown off by land mines in Vietnam while others were left orphaned and starving by the floods in East Pakistan. In Peru the earthquake left 70,000 person dead or missing and another 500,000 homeless. And in the Middle East and Nigeria victims of war and political conflict continued in situations almost beyond hope.

The Presiding Bishop's Fund for World Relief and Interchurch Aid, in its 30th year of service, responded in all of these areas, despite the fact that for the first time in 20 years the Fund received no grant from the General Church Budget. However, individual Episcopalians in every domestic diocese, and eight out of 12 overseas districts, made voluntary contributions of \$667,166.15. Though that averages out at only 29 cents per communicant, there is evidence that knowledge of the Fund's work is continuing to grow among Churchmen and that more and more parishes are making opportunities to participate available to members.

NEWS NOTES

The Diocese of Upper South Carolina has contributed a total of \$148,916.65 to the Missionary Diocese of Taiwan under the Projects for Partnership plan, according to the Ven. William A. Beckham. Archdeacon Beckham indicated that individuals and parishes have made additional contributions.

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The Revd. Adrian D. Caceres was consecrated Bishop of the Episcopal Missionary Diocese of Ecuador on February 7 in Guayaquil, Ecuador. He is the first resident Bishop of Ecuador.

GRACE CHURCH - SHEBOYGAN

The women of Grace Church are to be congratulated for sponsoring a very successful family night on March 17th - they served 98 hungry men, women and children; listened to the accordion artistry of Mrs. Olga Saye, and delighted to a talk on St. Patrick by Father Seifert. A wonderful time was had by all and the principles should be properly recognized. They included Mrs. Wes Jung, Mrs. William Schroeder, Mrs. H. C. Prange, Mrs. Gerald Burette, Miss Jean Kade and Miss Lorene Rackow. Thanks one and all for making this such a wonderful evening.

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ABOUT PAINTING OUR RECTORY

Besides Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights, we now will be painting on Saturday afternoon. Wayne Sather is in charge of the work session. He says "come at 1:00 and paint 'till done". If you can come on Saturday, call Wayne at 2-4542.

RESOLUTION

of the National Board
for Theological Education

"We have received a proposal made to us by the Union of Black Episcopalians relating to the participation of the Episcopal Church in the interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, Georgia, and presented by the Revd. Robert Bennett, together with a report from the Revd. Charles Feilding, consultant to the Board for Theological Education.

"We affirm the plan for Episcopal participation in the interdenominational Theological Center, as set forth in the Union of Black Episcopalians' proposal, and assume responsibility for finding funds for the first six years of this project."

LIMIRU, KENYA

The first Anglican Consultative Council met here, February 23 to March 5. The Council was created in 1969 to develop agreed Anglican policies in the world mission of the Church. It is also intended to serve as needed as an instrument of common action. The Council's resolutions are not binding on member bodies.

The Council is the first representative worldwide Anglican body not marked by a majority of Anglo-Saxons. There is a 50-50 ratio of Western and other representatives from Africa, Asia and Latin America.

Among its resolutions the Council:

- endorsed the World Council of Churches' controversial grant of \$200,000 to liberation movements in Southern Africa.

- resolved by a 24-22 vote that women should be allowed to be ordained priests under certain conditions.

- approved a two-year study of the controversial question of remarriage for divorced persons.

- endorsed the merger of Anglicans and Methodist in England.

- elected the Rt. Rev. John Howe, executive officer of the Anglican Communion, as the Council's secretary general; Sir Louis Mwachkuw Mbanefo, a judge in Nigeria, as chairman for four years, and Mrs. Marion Kelleran, professor of pastoral theology at Virginia Theological Seminary, as vice chairman for six years.

BISHOP'S ADDRESS TO THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCHWOMEN

Annual Women's Meeting
April 21, 1971

Mrs. Hall, Episcopal Churchwomen of the Diocese, my brethren of the clergy:

I am grateful for this opportunity to say a few words to you this morning. First of all, because it gives me an opportunity to say a word of appreciation on behalf of many seminarians and priests in great need whom you have helped out of your year-end balances for the past sixteen years. Your Executive Board has known in each instance to whom this aid has gone and they will bear me witness of how much it has been needed and how greatly appreciated.

But I am reluctant to speak here today because, as you know, I have tried, I hope successfully, to keep to myself my own opinions about what organization you should have and have endeavored to use any ability and opportunity that I had to guide you into making the decision you wanted to make. That is still my position, and I think it a right one because I do not believe anyone of us knows everything there is to know about how this group or that group should be organized, or what this group or that group should do in the Church. However, a number of you have asked me to be at least somewhat specific in expressing my thoughts on the whole matter of reshaping our Diocesan women's organization. And before I say anything further, please be sure that I have no false feelings of pride of authorship in the matter and that what I want most of all is to help you have the organization or lack

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of organization that you believe will best meet your needs, the needs of your congregation, the needs of this Diocese, the needs of our Lord's Church throughout the world.

I think at this point I should say something about my history that I doubt any of you know. Unfortunately, or fortunately — it depends upon how you look at it, I am one of those priests who never had a parish that had a women's auxiliary or an Episcopal Churchwomen organization. Yet I never had a parish that did not have many societies for women and that did not exceed every expectation of the Diocesan group, whatever it was called. But these societies were what I could call "living societies", living societies because they existed for a live purpose. For any society that has outlived its purpose and not been captured by a new purpose, but is chiefly concerned with its own internal organization, is a dead society. Gibbons, in his famous history of the Roman Empire, helps us to see why it fell, which, was as Dr. Dawley of General Seminary put so quaintly, "the Roman Empire fell because it worshipped itself to death".

Now, I think even a very quick glance at the history of the Church and certainly a more careful study of it, shows us conclusively that societies, that is, groups of Church people gathered together to meet a need of the Church, have always contributed greatly to the life of the Church. Indeed, everyone of the monastic foundations came into being for just this reason. But with the monastic foundations as with every other kind of society in the Church, when the purpose was realized and the society then set on a course of self-perpetuation and preservation, the society was condemned. Just for example, this is the reason behind the many revolutions that have shaken the great Benedictine Order time and time again in history. And, it is interesting for us that the present Protestant monastic community Taize, which is making such a vital contribution to the whole Christian Church, in making plans for their beginning, made a study of the great Benedictine Foundation that had at one time existed where they now are. They found that the reason it disintegrated was that it became completely wrapped up in its own preservation. And Taize proceeded to

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UNITED THANKOFFERING RECEIPTS — 1970

Parish or Mission	Spring 1970	Fall 1970
Algoma	\$ 12.00	\$ 15.35
Antigo	7.55	2.00
Appleton	89.07	68.02
Chilton	12.50	18.61
De Pere	109.00	90.00
Eagle River	57.62	46.85
Fond du Lac	195.12	307.37
Gardner		1.59
Green Bay, Blessed Sacrament	21.55	46.80
Green Bay, Christ	25.00	25.00
Manitowoc	137.47	161.10
Marinette	115.41	115.94
Marshfield	55.60	74.17
Merrill	23.00	21.00
Mosinee	24.00	23.50
Neenah-Menasha	120.61	94.18
New London	2.00	6.00
Oakfield	12.50	5.50
Oconto	20.89	21.90
Oneida	43.01	67.50
Oshkosh	171.11	308.57
Plymouth	54.54	50.13
Ripon	133.02	135.13
Rhineland	40.39	35.84
Shawano	20.00	18.35
Sheboygan	117.61	100.69
Sheboygan Falls	43.64	41.00
Stevens Point	28.77	15.91
Sturgeon Bay	25.25	27.01
Suamico	21.42	12.75
Tomahawk	5.01	4.50
Waupaca	100.56	61.61
Waupun	30.52	38.21
Wausau	156.56	172.82
Wisconsin Rapids	86.32	83.85
Credited at National Office:		
Spring 1970	\$2,817.83 (including \$27.16 local interest)	
	(plus \$679.00, Lamb Memorial)	
Fall 1970	\$2,348.91 (including \$30.16 local interest)	
Required balance left in savings account		\$100.00

Registration Form for Diocesan Youth Conferences

Name (please print) Phone.....

Street

City..... Parish.....

Grade..... Age..... Date of Birth.....

Fee to accompany this Registration (\$5.00) is enclosed.

I hereby authorize the Conference Physician to examine and give proper care and treatment to my childfor minor illness or injury. In case of serious illness or injury it is understood that I will be contacted and if I cannot be reached, Conference authorities may proceed under the judgment of the Conference Physician.

Date..... Signed.....

Parent or Guardian

Address and telephone number where you can be reached most quickly in case of need:

The above named child in my judgment should be assigned to:

.....Senior Conference Junior Conference

Signature of Your Priest.....

Address to Churchwomen — Cont.

adopt a rule that you already have. That is at the end of each year, every cent of their money is given away and they start afresh fully free to respond to the opportunity of God wherever the Spirit of God moves them.

Every Christian society must constantly examine itself as to the viability of the purpose or purposes for which it exists; every Christian society must constantly ask itself as to its openness to respond to the needs of our Lord's Church at any time, as to its willingness to be moved by the Spirit of God for His Glory even if that movement means its own dissolution. I remember Father Lauderburn at General Seminary saying to us that if we were in a parish with a great St. Mary's Guild and should leave that parish and then return twenty-five years later and find St. Mary's Guild still there, we could be quite certain nothing much had been done in the twenty-five years.

Now it has seemed to me for a mighty long time that the Women's Auxiliary and its successor, the Episcopal Churchwomen, had become so structured, so organized, so bound up with its own administration that it had little time or energy left for others. For instance, look at this Diocese. The Diocese has an Executive Board and so the women in their organization has an Executive Board. The Diocese has an Annual Council. So the women in their organization has an Annual Meeting. And let us push on to the crown and glory of the Women's Auxiliary and the Episcopal Churchwomen — the Triennial in which there is set up for the women an organization to parallel the General Convention, which is the supreme legislative body for the whole Church. I need not go further. I ask you to examine your concern with organization. Ask yourself these questions: "How much is organization for the sake or organization?" "How great is the purpose of this organiza-

tion?" "Do we exist for the purpose of the organization or do we exist for the organization?" In this Diocese we have eliminated all canonical distinction between men and women. We deal with the laity of the Church. Women as well as men are eligible for all offices and since that restriction has been lifted, I have always appointed at least one woman to the Executive Board, the Finance Committee, etc. I recognize that in certain sections of our society today, minority groups must be given special privileges along with equal rights to make up for the results of the lack of equal rights of ages past. But I find it impossible in my thinking to consider the women of this Diocese as being in such a position.

Let me repeat here and emphasize with all the power that God gives me: I believe the Church needs organizations designed to give it additional strength for its purposes; I believe the Church needs organizations designed so that every member of the Church can find a part to play in the Church's life and work; I believe the Church needs organizations designed to ever hold before it its own high commission; I believe the Church needs societies to constantly recall it to its true purpose whenever it goes astray. But I do not believe the Church needs societies that exist for the sake of themselves.

Now just a few more words. I think the proposed guidelines can be extremely useful for Diocesan leadership. I think they can be just what they are called, "Guidelines" for a loosely federated Diocesan group that can be helpful to parish groups, to Diocesan programs, to the Church as a whole throughout the world. I believe you can come up with a plan that will be one from which we will all receive guidance and strength and inspiration. And I know I need not add, but I do add in case any of you have any doubts, whatever you come up with, you can count on my loyal understanding and support.

DIOCESE OF FOND DU LAC
Finance Department
Assessment through March, 1971

	Assessment	Pledge	Due	Paid
Algoma	\$ 1,146.00	\$ 1,146.00	\$ 286.50	\$ 382.00
Amherst	234.00	234.00	58.53	—0—
Antigo	1,844.00	1,844.00	460.98	—0—
Appleton	15,370.00	15,370.00	3,842.49	3,855.00
Beaver	153.00	153.00	38.25	—0—
Chilton	1,053.00	1,100.00	275.01	275.01
DePere	5,087.00	5,087.00	1,271.76	1,271.81
Eagle River	1,682.00	1,700.00	425.01	160.00
Fish Creek	451.00	451.00	112.74	—0—
Fond du Lac	15,085.00	16,085.00	4,021.26	4,035.00
Gardner	298.00	298.00	74.49	—0—
Green Bay, Blessed Sacrament	2,445.00	2,445.00	611.25	611.25
Green Bay, Christ Church	7,037.00	7,037.00	1,759.26	2,345.64
Jacksonport	118.00	118.00	29.49	30.00
Manitowoc	6,348.00	4,000.00	999.99	1,590.00
Marinette	5,053.00	5,053.00	1,263.24	1,264.00
Marshfield	5,456.00	5,456.00	1,364.00	1,370.00
Merrill	714.00	714.00	178.50	178.50
Mosinee	1,503.00	1,503.00	375.75	273.00
Neenah-Menasha	14,671.00	15,000.00	3,750.00	3,750.00
New London	659.00	800.00	200.01	201.00
Oakfield	357.00	357.00	89.25	—0—
Oconto	1,942.00	1,942.00	485.49	161.00
Oncida	3,614.00	3,614.00	903.51	301.16
Oshkosh	12,436.00	13,000.00	3,249.99	3,249.99
Plymouth	2,166.00	2,166.00	541.50	—0—
Rhineland	6,053.00	6,053.00	1,513.26	50.00
Ripon	6,231.00	6,231.00	1,557.75	1,557.75
Shawano	974.00	1,000.00	249.99	300.00
Sheboygan	8,562.00	8,742.00	2,185.50	2,185.50
Sheboygan Falls	4,009.00	4,009.00	1,002.24	335.00
Stevens Point	5,654.00	5,654.00	1,413.51	944.00
Sturgeon Bay	1,435.00	1,435.00	358.74	239.20
Suamico	1,852.00	1,852.00	462.99	480.00
Tomahawk	1,374.00	1,374.00	343.50	—0—
Waupaca	3,483.00	1,000.00	249.99	500.00
Waupun	2,872.00	2,872.00	717.99	480.00
Wausau	9,106.00	9,106.00	2,276.49	2,276.49
Wisconsin Rapids	5,870.00	5,200.00	1,299.99	866.66
	\$164,397.00	\$161,201.00	\$40,300.19	\$35,518.96
			Late 1970 — Waupun	454.00
				\$35,972.96

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