

Pope urges Catholics to uphold family

PERTH, Australia (AP) — Pope John Paul II lashed out at abortion as an "unspeakable crime" at his final Mass in Australia on Sunday and reiterated the Roman Catholic church's opposition to contraception and sterilization.

"As the family goes, so goes the nation, and so goes the whole world in which we live," he told 60,000 people during a service in this city on the Indian Ocean.

"Can the pope come to Australia and fail to ask Australian couples and families to reflect in their hearts how well they are living their Christian love?" the pope said.

He said Catholics should consider whether government policies for defending family values are appropriate.

"In a world that is becoming ever more sensitive to women's rights, what is to be said of the rights of women who want to be or need to be full-time wives and mothers?" the pope said.

The pontiff was nearing the end of a two-week tour of Asia and the Pacific. After a stop in the Seychelles, he was to return to Rome today.

During his six days in Australia, he stressed traditional church teachings, seeking to spell out what it means to be a Catholic and appealing to former Catholics to return to the church.

John Paul, who last week cuddled a koala in Brisbane, finally got to see a kangaroo Sunday. He patted a gray one in a group brought to him in Adelaide before departing for Perth.

The pope, wearing purple vestments, celebrated his final Mass at a race track.

Many in the crowd wore bush hats and blue souvenir baseball caps commemorating the papal visit.

"The church's well-known opposition to contraception and sterilization is not a position we arbitrarily take," he said.

He emphasized the sanctity of human life, saying this was why the Second Vatican Council "considers abortion an unspeakable crime."

It was the first time during his Australian tour that he directly referred to contraception and abortion.

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Reagan calls press irresponsible in handling of Iran controversy

NEW YORK (AP) — President Reagan in an interview published Sunday called Lt. Col. Oliver North, who was fired last week, "a national hero," and said the press must "take responsibility for what they have done" in revealing arms sales to Iran.

The president was quoted by Time magazine as saying he had "a bitter bile in my throat these days" because of the controversy set off by disclosure of the sales. Although the outcome was disappointing, he said, "I don't see anything I would have done differently."

The president referred to critics as "sharks, circling like they are now with blood in the water" and specifically lambasted the news media.

"What is driving me up the wall is that this wasn't a failure until the press got a tip from that rag in Beirut and began to play it up," the magazine quoted Reagan as saying.

"I told them that publicity could destroy this, that it could get people killed. They then went right on."

The U.S. connection to Iranian arms sales first was revealed by Al-Shiraa, a pro-Syrian Lebanese magazine, on Nov. 4, Election Day in the United States. Reagan said he did not know that profits from the arms sales were being channeled to rebels fighting Nicaragua's Sandinista government until Attorney General Edwin Meese began an investigation.

Reagan said Meese briefed him last Monday, and he decided to release the results of the probe immediately. National Security Adviser John Poindexter resigned on Tuesday and North, a Marine officer who worked for Poindexter, was fired.

Reagan said Meese's investigation is proceeding.

Poindexter, Reagan said, followed Navy tradition by taking responsibility "even if you are asleep in your bunk when your ship runs aground."

"Lt. Col. North was involved in all our operations: the Achille Lauro, Libya," Reagan said. "He has a fine record. He is a national hero. My only criticism is that I was not told everything."

The president said the Iranians approached the United States, saying they were trying to "do something" about terrorism. "We said that if they were really sincere, then they could show us by getting the hostages released," Reagan said.

"We got three people (hostages) back," he said. "We were expecting any day to get two others. The press has to take the responsibility for what they have done."

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IM GAMEPLAN

Entries open:

Preseason Basketball Tournament. Entries Open: Monday, December 1, and close Tuesday, January 20. Tournament Date: Thursday, January 22-Sunday, January 25, 1987. Schedules will be posted in room 159 Read Building after 3 pm on Wednesday, January 21. Divisions: Men's, Women's, and CoRec in Class A and B. There will be an entry fee of \$10.00 per team. This will be a single elimination tournament.

Outdoor Soccer Entries open: Monday, December 1 and Tuesday, December 9. Play begins on Wednesday, January 21 at the Penberthy Intramural Complex. Rules: NCAA and Intramural Supplements. Divisions: Men's and Women's Dorm, Men's and Women's Independent and CoRec. Classes: A, B, C, and D. Classes A, B, and C are round robin leagues with single elimination playoffs. Class D is a 4 game round robin with no playoffs. Schedules will be available at the Team Captains Meeting on Thursday, December 11 at 5:00 pm, in 164 Read Building. Eligibility: No team member may have more than one TAMU Soccer Club player on its roster. Any team having one Soccer Club player must play in Class A. There will be an entry fee of \$25.00 per team.

3 On 3 Basketball. Entries Open: Monday, December 1. Enter early because entries will be limited to 64 teams in Men's B and 32 teams in Men's A, Women's Open, CoRec A and CoRec B. Entries Close: Monday, January 19, 1987. Tournament Dates: January 20, 21, 1987. Rules: Intramural 3-On-3 rules apply and will be provided at the Captain's Meeting. Teams going on to Regional Tournament must play by the Schick Super Hoops Rules. There will be an entry fee of \$5.00 per team. This will be a single elimination tournament.

Basketball Entries Open: Monday, December 1, 1986. Entry forms are available in the IM-REC Sports Office, 159 Read Building. Entries Close: Tuesday, January 20, 1987. Play Begins: Monday, January 26, 1987. Divisions: Corps, Fish, Men's and Women's Dorm, Faculty/Staff/Grad, and CoRec. Classes A, B, C and D. Competition: Round Robin Leagues with single elimination playoff tournament for Classes A, B, and C. No playoffs for Class D. Rules: National Federation of State High School Association will be used with intramural exceptions. Schedules may be picked up at the Team Captain's Meeting Thursday, January 22 at 5:00 pm in room 601 Rudder Tower. Corp Meeting will be at 7:30 pm in 162 Read Building. There will be an entry fee of \$30.00 per team.

OFFICIALS Wanted

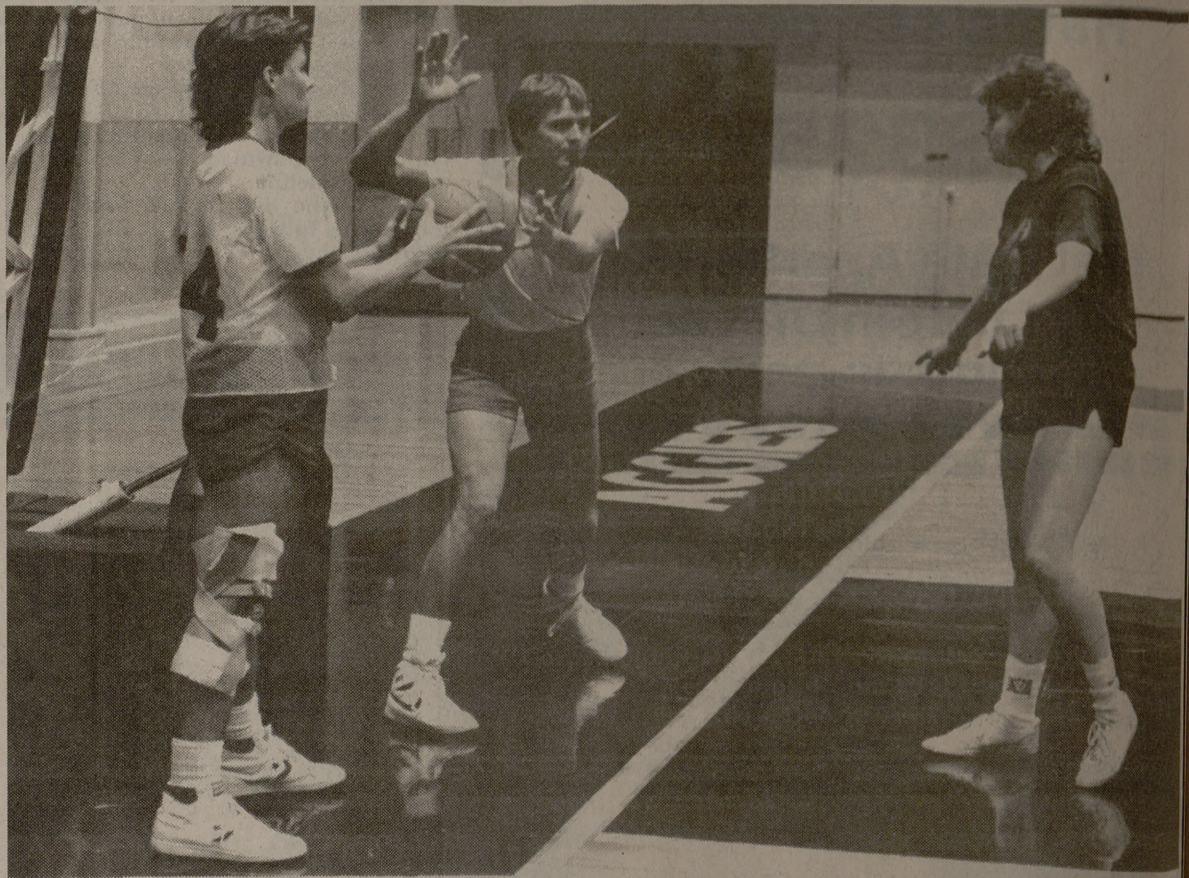
Training for Intramural Basketball and Soccer officials begins this week. An orientation meeting will be held tonight, December 1 at 6 pm in 164 Read Bldg. for both officials. Basketball officials may attend the first training meeting on Wed., Dec. 3 or Thurs., Dec. 4 at 6 pm in 164. The first training meeting for Soccer officials is Wed., Dec. 3 at 6 pm in 167 Read.

Volleyball Finals

Intramural Sports for the fall semester wind up on Dec. 7 with the Volleyball Finals from 6-10 pm in 303 Read Bldg. Come on out and watch some exciting volleyball action.

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Basketball Season is upon us! Entries open today as does training for officials!

Bowling Singles

Congratulations to the All-University Champions in Bowling Singles.
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Outdoor Trip Leader

Applications are available for Outdoor Trip Leaders. The Outdoor Trip Leaders are needed to lead day and weekend adventure trips. Outdoor skills are necessary as well as some first aid certifications. Applications are available in the IM-REC sports Office, Rm. 159 Read Bldg. For more information call Patsy Greiner at 845-7826.

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