

STUDY GUIDE

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WONDERFUL

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1. Who are named "the Elect" in this article?
2. In his welcome, what did Bishop Melczek call these people preparing to enter the Catholic Church?
3. What does the Cathedral of the Holy Angels represent?
4. What is the real message of the Church, according to the bishop?
5. When will the Elect now receive their Sacraments of Initiation?
6. What are the Sacraments of Initiation?
7. What does it mean to be "called to holiness?"

VIBRANT

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1. What is the meaning of "vibrant?" Look it up in the dictionary and discuss how it applies to parishes.
2. Who mandated the establishment of parish pastoral councils and commissions in each parish of this diocese?
3. Is ministry only the job of priests, deacons and other religious?
4. What does it mean to "evangelize?" What are the ways we can evangelize as Church?
5. According to Father Yadron, who does the parish belong to?
6. What is the role of the priest in the parish?

ENVY

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1. What is the difference between envy and covetousness?
2. "Envy and covetousness are rooted in low self-esteem." Talk about what this means.
3. How do we tend to measure success today? What do you think is the true measure of success?
4. What are the two Christian virtues that help us overcome envy and covetousness?
5. What does Christian love recognize?

AFRICA

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1. What remains as serious issues for Africa?
2. What is a "synod?" Look it up in the dictionary. What will this year's Synod of Bishops in Africa focus on?
3. According to Father Henriot, how has Africa changed since 1994?
4. Look at Africa on a map or globe. Find the countries mentioned in this article.
5. How has the country improved?

RABBI

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1. What is a rabbi?
2. What is "interreligious dialogue?"
3. What can we learn from other religions?
4. What did Rabbi Schudrich refer to as a "painful moment?" Discuss.
5. "The fact that God created each person in his image and likeness means that each person has something to teach us." Discuss.