THE SHROUD IN POLAND

A Society for the Turin Shroud, or Klubu Syndonologicznego, has recently been formed in Poland, where Ian Wilson's book has recently been published under the title Całun Turyński. One of the main organisers of the new Society is an outstanding spokesman on the Shroud in Poland, Zenon Ziolkowski. Anyone wishing to correspond with the new Klubu should contact the liaison secretary for English language matters, Mrs Marta Glinska, at Instytut Wydawniczy Pax, ul. Chocimska 8/10, 00-791 Warszawa, Poland.

THE SHROUD IN MEXICO

The inauguration of the Centro Mexicano de Sindonologia was held in May 1983, since when the Centro has flourished, publishing several Bulletins (in Spanish, so BSTS volunteers who feel able to translate will be welcomed!) and exchanging information with other Shroud groups. Correspondence may be conducted through the Chief of the Bibliographical Archives of the Centro, Dr Julio Lopez Morales, at Av. Azcapotzalco No. 150, Mexico, D.F. 02080.

FR. FILAS AND THE HARALICK REPORT

Fr. Filas, Professor of Theology at Loyola University, Chicago, has asked us to point out that 'tentative' is a somewhat inaccurate description of Dr. Robert Haralick's report 'Analysis of Digital Images of the Shroud of Turin', referred to in the last Newsletter. He writes:

"What he found, to my mind, with NO ambiguity, is evidence of the astrologer's staff, the money-shaped pattern, and the letters satisfactorily proven to reduce to OUCAIC". Fr. Filas adds: "One item not mentioned in his report is his personal observation to me that when he did the 'low pass' filter that removed practically all the weave (his figure 9), he said to me with no hesitancy that there were three more images (not clear enough to be identifiable) at about 14, 16 and 17 o'clock in the coin area. I then went back to the best detail of my lepton, and he and I both agreed that in locating the 14, 16 and 17 o'clock spots I could claim with some probability that here were the partially eroded remains of POC".

Copies of the Haralick report are available for 11 dollars 50 cents, inclusive of postage, on application direct to Fr. Filas, 6525 North Sheridan Road, Chicago, Illinois 60626, USA. (This price is at cost). A filmstrip on the same report, 'Image Analysis of the Shroud of Turin', is available for 30 dollars on application to Cogan Productions, Suite A, 11134 Youngtown Avenue, Youngtown, Arizona 85363, USA.