

AMONG WOMEN

A Gift For Easter

By Mary Eennon Snyder

Realizing that the giving of gifts at Easter time has become a rather wide spread custom, I should like to suggest the best gift which some parents can give their children.



Mrs. Snyder

I want to pass on to my readers the translation of a French bon mot which I encountered recently. As a matter of fact I read it in the French edition of "Reader's Digest" and perhaps those of you who read the English edition may have already encountered it.

"The best gift which parents can give their children is a little of their time" is a very sad com-

mentary on our time but many of us need such a reminder at the beginning of the Easter recess from school.

Today I am writing about Easter recess because I believe that many of my readers will not be reading this until after the rush of Easter Sunday is over. I base this statement on the fact that Catholics and particularly Catholic women who have home and family responsibilities are very busy during Holy Week.

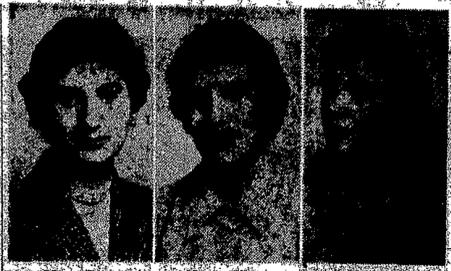
FOR MANY THE long trudge of Lenten churchgoing accelerates into a run, and in some instances almost a race against time, as Easter Sunday approaches. The various reasons for this terrific pressure on the homemaker are all very familiar. Since Easter is a great feast, the joy of the Church's celebration is reflected in the life of the home; and the Catholic homemaker finds herself making last minute purchases for the Easter Sunday home celebration.

There also are the national folk customs observed in many American homes—the cooking of special foods, the coloring of the Easter eggs; the putting of the finishing touches on the new or refurbished wardrobe with which Christians traditionally greet their risen Lord; all keep mother very busy.

AND SO WHEN Easter Monday rolls around and there are plenty of leftovers from the Easter largess, when the week's menus usually revolve around variations of baked ham and hard boiled eggs, every mother realizes, with varying degrees of shock, depending of course, on the age and temperament of her school children, that school is out and that for one week it will be up to her to singlehandedly stem the barbaric horde.

Perhaps, this feeling of post-Easter relaxation should be carried over in our relations with our children. By this, I do not mean that we should hand them a dollar and say, "Go to the movies and get a hot dog on your way home." I mean that we should include the children in the feeling of relaxation which follows the strenuous week preceding Easter. When we do not have to spend so much time preparing meals we can spend more time with them.

WE CAN VARY home routines because it has been wisely said that a change is a vacation. To borrow a phrase from a popular television personality, this week while the children are at home would be a good time to begin to "have fun with your children."



Mary Rita Tasketta, Mary Ellen O'Flynn, Ellen Flanagan

Seniors At Women's College Awarded Three Fellowships

Three Nazareth College seniors have received recognition for their academic achievement and ability in the form of awards designed to help them continue their education on the graduate school level. They are Ellen Flanagan, Mary Ellen O'Flynn and Mary Rita Tasketta.

Miss Flanagan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter V. Flanagan, 178 Inglewood Dr., a graduate of Nazareth Academy, received an assistantship valued at \$1,000 covering room, board and tuition and providing a cash stipend from Marquette University, Milwaukee, Wis. A major in speech and drama, she will do advanced work in these fields while assisting the dean of women with the Marquette counselling program.

Miss O'Flynn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James D. O'Flynn, 401

Rochester Woman Says Vows In Trinitarian Order

Sister Charles Therese of the Crucifixion, the former Ellen Ann Sandie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Sandie, 382 Stone Rd., Rochester, was one of twenty-two novices who took first vows as a Missionary Servant of the Most Blessed Trinity on March 25.

The ceremony took place in the new Father Judge Memorial Chapel and Motherhouse of the Most Blessed Trinity, Holmbury, N.Y. Sister Therese is a member parishioner of St. Charles Borromeo Church, St. Charles, N.Y. She graduated from Our Lady of Mercy High School in 1953.

In the Rochester diocese, the Ladies Auxiliary Mass

There will be a Mass at Our Lady of Victory Church, Pleasant St., on Wednesday, Apr. 21, at 8 a.m. for living and deceased members of the Ladies Auxiliary, Knights of Columbus.

Sophs Win In Nazareth Sports Night

Sophomores emerged as the undisputed athletic champions of Nazareth College last Friday night after a competitive program in the college gymnasium. The program was a highlight of the annual Sports Night.

In a close, hard-fought volleyball battle which went into overtime, the second-year students managed to subdue their game freshmen rivals. Then they went on to overcome the senior team for the intramural basketball crown. For the first time in the history of the college, seniors managed to reach the finals in the playoffs for the court championship, but they could do no better than come in second-best against their "little sisters."

ANOTHER FEATURE of the Sports Night was the presentation of awards to students who were selected as having the best posture. Chosen by a committee of judges made up of students and faculty health officers were: Veronica Smock, sophomore music major, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Smock, 85 Whiteford Rd.; Thelma Carroll, freshman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Carroll, 70 Woodward St.; and Marilyn Magin, freshman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Magin, 1355 Clinton Ave. N.

Sports Night was sponsored by the Athletic Association of the women's college. Mary Ann Dakin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Dakin, 61 Winbourne Rd., is president; Mrs. Martha O. Morgan, director of physical education, is moderator of the association. The class in recreational leadership contributed to the program with a square dance demonstration.

Dessert-Bridge Slated At Blessed Sacrament

Members of the Blessed Sacrament Rosary Society will hold a desert bridge on Monday, Apr. 19 at 1 p.m. in the church hall.

Mrs. George A. Thorne will be chairman.

WHAT'S DOING AT THE DALY'S

EASTER

Once more, may we wish all readers of this column a joyful Easter? Coming late this year—past mid-April—everything has a lush, full-blown look. Lawns are really grassy, flowers and shrubs in bloom, trees in leaf.

It was this way we remember, at our Tommy's last Easter on earth. Fatally injured on Holy Saturday afternoon, he wanted his Easter beside table adorned with the lily he had nursed along since the building "My Purple Irish," as he called them, has become such a byword that all of us refer to it as "Tommy's purple Irish."

Easter itself is closely connected in our thoughts with memories of Tommy—that little boy who left us in the springtime. For many years, the fresh new look of spring, the approach of Easter—particularly the rebudding of those "purple Irish"—used to bring a dreaded wince. And Holy Saturday was a day we wished could have been lifted bodily from the calendar.

We couldn't, of course, let a personal loss dim the glory of this supreme season for the other children. So we went along when they were younger, with the Easter baskets, the dye eggs, the new clothes, the end of Lenten "give-ups"—but even trying to impress on them, and to reimpress on ourselves, the supernatural significances of the Resurrection.

WE HAVE friends who lost a little boy at Christmas. They, too, went through the understandingly human dread of this season, yet they later made a spiritualized Christmas for their children that extends far beyond their own circle of family and friends.

For us, it was Easter. Not that we have accomplished what they did—but for ourselves, the true meaning of Easter is something very deep within us. Christ died for mankind and "rose again" on the third day—all tied in so closely with the Creed: "I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Holy Catholic Church, communion of the saints, resurrection of the body"

and life everlasting . . . For children—for all of us—it is advisable to point up every adjunct to note carefully the prolonged ringing of the bells on Holy Thursday, to make those "three visits," to notice the veiled statues, to keep a strict Good Friday, to attend Holy Saturday Mass with its age-old symbolism.

Holy Saturday—that day we used to plod through with heavy hearts—has become, particularly in the past few years, the children take over the task of fixing the "Easter tree" centerpiece for the dinner table the following day; branches of flowering shrub hung with tied-on egg shells painted with symbols of Christ—marly with the cross above a circle, used by early Christians to show Christ's victory over an empty grave.

AND THAT's the day when Ginny, as sole remaining member of the parish school, becomes "Water Girl"—carefully washing out the holy water bottle with its nail-polished-painted cross, then taking it over to church to be refilled.

As we read aloud the Holy Saturday prayers from our Short Breviary, it seems as though they were written straight for us. Take the Antiphon, for instance: "Take the stone away that is the stone of sin; in peace, then, shall I sleep and rest." "For Thou, O Lord! makest me rest secure." "In peace, then, shall I sleep and rest." "My body too shall rest in hope."

Once we thought we could never again enjoy Easter. We do though, and our boys lay away for a while, the other for a longer while . . .

Marian Congress Manila, Philippines (NC) A national Marian congress to be held from December 1 to 8 will provide a fitting climax for the Marian Year observed in the Philippines.

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Retreatants Elect New Officer Slate. Fifty-four Catholic men attended a Retreat conducted at the Notre Dame Retreat House, 246 Alexander Street, Rochester, during the weekend of April 3.

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