

Family Control Advice Given

Bombay—(NC)—The Archdiocese of Bombay soon will set up three marriage advisory centers to advise couples on a birth control methods in accord with Catholic teaching.

The three centers — two in Bombay and one in Basrah, south of this city — are being created by the archdiocese's Marriage Advisory Council.

Father Nereus Rodriguez, director of the Marriage Advisory Council, told the N.C.W.C. Service in an interview that the council was started on a directive from Valerian Cardinal Gracias, Archbishop of Bombay, following a study week in February led by Father Stanislaus de Lestapis, S.J.

Father de Lestapis, professor of family sociology at the Institut Catholique, Paris Catholic University, and a member of the International Union for the Scientific Study of Population, for the Holy See at the 1954 World Population Conference in Rome. He is the author of "Family Planning and Modern Problems."

The French Jesuit's February study week — for priests, sisters, doctors, and social workers — examined the Church's position on population problems, particularly on how Catholics may regulate births in their own families.

In each of the three marriage advisory centers, a panel of priests, doctors and social workers will be set up to discuss marriage problems with married couples. The centers are expected to be in operation in three months.

A questionnaire has been sent to doctors, social workers and lay persons asking if they are willing to help the council in forming a panel and in counseling.

The council will give information on the method of birth regulation by use of a temporary test. Father de Lestapis explained this method during the February study week.

'Apostleship Of The Sea' Supported By Church

St. Louis — (NC) — "Seamen are endeavoring to form a revolution to fight for their Christian heritage, and the Church is behind them," Father Thomas A. McDonough, C.S.S.R., secretary of the National Catholic Apostleship of the Sea, U.S.A., said here.

"Our work is to help seamen become convinced of their own apostolate of the sea," he said. "We have to convince them of their work as Christ's co-workers to all the ports of the world."

The Redemptorist priest, one of only four full-time port chaplains in the U.S., cautioned, however, that the Church "must do this slowly."

"SEAMEN LIVE in a unique, special world of their own," he said. "They are a minority group, and are generally not considered human. They are migrants for all their apparent toughness, they are very timid. It is only lately that the Church is beginning to be identified with the sailors in the ports of the world."

A native of St. Louis, Father McDonough was born to a family since 1914 in New Orleans, second largest port in the U.S., he had just returned from the first joint convention of the National Apostleship of the Sea in Canada and the U.S. Apostleship of the Sea.

Father McDonough debunked the public image of sailors as

Bishop Hits Race Bias In Buffalo

Buffalo, N.Y. — (NC) — "Racial discrimination cannot be justified," the Bishop of Buffalo said here. "Discrimination is the denial of the justice of God in the lives of His children."

Bishop James A. McNulty made his first public statement on racial discrimination since becoming episcopally based at the eighteenth diocesan synod in a sermon in St. Nicholas church here. He spoke during a Mass which marked the opening of the parish's annual summer school for grammar school children. Many of the 380 youngsters enrolled are Negroes.

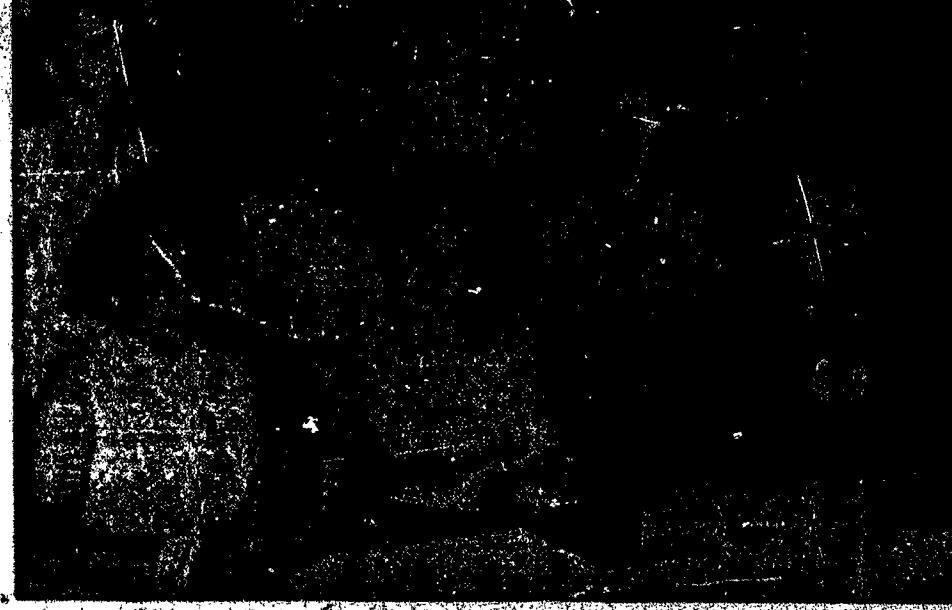
BISHOP McNULTY commended "the continued efforts of the Protestant, Jewish and Catholic clergy and laity, who sponsor the peaceful social revolution to guarantee the liberty and justice to all men."

"On the picket lines they are singing, not shouting. They know that violence achieves only disturbance and chaos. They want to build up... (to bring peace)," Bishop said. The prelate also observed: "The Negro is mindful of his rights as a citizen. He is also conscious of his duties to society. He knows he has duties toward racial justice too."

"This is not a Negro problem," Bishop McNulty said. "It is an American problem. There is the threat of violence ahead. Violence can be averted, not by a diluted Christianity but by genuine Christianity with its basic laws of love — love of God and neighbor."

Bishop McNulty also stated: "Negroes are our fellow citizens whose civil rights are guaranteed by the Constitution of the United States."

He said: "If a Catholic is guilty of racial discrimination, he violates the law of God. A Catholic does not learn from the Church hatred nor bigotry nor discrimination. He is taught the Lord's Commandment: Love God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and love your neighbor as yourself."



PLANS FOR the Sept. 5 meeting of the DCCW at Bath are being made by St. Michael's Parish, Lyons, and St. Theresa's Parish, Stanley. From left, Mrs. Charles Kiefer, treasurer; Mrs. Andrew Hoplak, president; the Rev. William Hickey, moderator; and standing, Mrs. John Melnyk, secretary; Mrs. Ernest P. Smith, chairman of spiritual development and retreats; and Mrs. Jerome Wells, vice president. All women of the diocese are invited to the meeting.

DCCW Plans Meeting, Party At Bath Parish

The Diocesan Council of Catholic Women have invited women of the diocese to attend a birthday party on Sunday, Sept. 2, at St. Michael's Church, 34 Morris St., Bath, at 2:30 p.m. The celebration will mark the feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It will be a tribute to the Diocesan Council of Our Lady of Good Council, the Patroness of the National Council of Catholic Women.

The program will begin at 2:30 p.m. in the auditorium with a first quarterly meeting. Three committees will give presentations of their work at 3:30 p.m. There will be Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament in the church at 5 p.m. The day will conclude with a birthday buffet supper in the auditorium at 5:30 p.m. All reservations for the supper must be sent by Aug. 28. Mailed reservations should be sent to Miss Marion Thallmann, 314 Burton St., Bath, N.Y. 14810. Those made by telephone should call Mrs. Andrew Hoplak, Bath, 607-PR 6313.

Mrs. Robert D. Waterman, president of the DCCW, will conduct the business meeting and will introduce the new council officers and the diocesan committee chairman. A complete and confirmed schedule of events for the year 1963-64 will be announced. Mrs. Theodore Strommeyer, recording secretary, will give a full report of the minutes of the executive committee of July 8 at Mrs. Waterman's home in Ontario on Aug. 7 in the home of the first vice-president, Mrs. John W. O'Brien of Webster.

THE COMMITTEE presentations will be based on the council theme — "The Challenge of Responsibility." The first feature will be presented by the spiritual development committee under the direction of the chairman, Mrs. Thomas McWhitney and by the vice-chairman, Mrs. Eugene Klem, both of Holy Trinity Parish, Webster. Its title will be "God and You."

The second feature will be presented by the combined committees of international, inter-American and interracial relations. It will be directed by the diocesan chairman, Mrs. Thomas McWhitney and by the vice-chairman, Mrs. Edward Maylon, both of Rochester. The title of the presentation will be "You and Your Neighbor." The subject will be covered in the form of a panel discussion.

The third feature will be a city-wide call for teenagers to help Danny Thomas in his national war on leukemia was issued today by Ronald C. Francione, director of a door-to-door march planned for 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 22, by the Monroe County Rochester Chapter of ALSAC (Aiding Leukemia Society of America).

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Assistant VP Named At Community Bank

Richard W. Clark of Framingham Center, Mass., has been named an assistant vice president of Community Savings Bank.

Charles W. Carson, president who made the announcement, said that Clark will join Community Savings Bank staff on Sept. 1. His chief responsibility will be the management of the bank's securities investment.

Talk It Over Vocations

By ANNE CULGIN

Dear Reader: Recently when lecturing at a young men's school, Fairfield High School, I had the joy of meeting one of its students who had been a member of the Holy Family Club. It impressed me so much that I thought you might find it equally impressive. This is what one young man had to say concerning a religious vocation.

"What can a life but 'Freedom' mean? Happiness? I am here on behalf of a product, the price of which is exactly one life. I represent an extremely reliable producer. Each of his products is custom made to the individual and built for his buyer. The product is a religious vocation. The producer is God. And the buyer is a man. Each of us must answer for ourselves."

"God, however, does not rely on a persuasive sales talk. No, rather does he whisper His divine will in the inner silence of the recesses of a soul and imparts to that heart the graces of perseverance and overwhelming charity. Therefore, prayer is a necessary prerequisite for religious vocation. Prayer — for the insight, the wisdom, and the courage to be able to say, 'I will follow Thee, Thy will be done.'"

"But what of the components of this divine product? There is peace, that inner peace of the angels that comes with total consecration to the will and service of God. Joy — that unique elation of spirit which Mary felt as she gazed upon her beloved as He walked our earth. Faith — that blind faith that in its blindness pierces the darkness of hidden eternal realities. Hope, the strength, foundation and bulwark of every vocation. And charity — that love which, infusing sanctifying grace, is the crown, complement and bond of every virtue exercised in pursuing a religious vocation. The final installment, however, is made at profession when the religious vocation still increases its benefits. For rather than be taken from a negative aspect, the vows of poverty, chastity and obedience are pronounced with the affirmative attitude of a willing gift of self which imparts to the individual the peace arising from dedicated conviction."

"God, however, has a competitor — the world itself. It places before us products plated with the alloy of wealth, fame and glory that show their ephemeral qualities in the grimly real moment of death. In the vocation to religious life God offers us a diamond glowing with the brilliant facets of the gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit. The world tries to rival this treasure with superficial allurements which like a piece of glass can be crushed into countless pieces under the impact of misfortune. But a diamond in its strength withstands the greatest pressure."

"Is this not a wise investment with the dividends exceeding the sacrifice just as eternity exceeds time? And for those who co-operate with the grace of God, He has guaranteed a reward of life everlasting. How many will be able to give to God what He has given us? Our lives, our wills, our souls? How many will buy this product?"

Dear Miss Culgin: Last month I started to work for the first time. I finished

the secretarial course and have come over all my old books that I used in school, but I can't find the answers to the following questions: 1) If I am typing in my office and my boss comes in, do I stand? 2) What do I do if there are men in the president's office? 3) What do I do if the company comes to which I am only doing about once a month? 4) When I answer the phone, should I say, 'This is Miss Wade speaking' or should I say, 'This is Mary Wade'? 5) My boss said that it is all right if I want to make up my desk. Do you think it would be all right if I did?Awaiting your reply.

Dear Cindy: 1) You need not stand for your immediate superior. 2) If the president of the company only comes to the office on occasion, it is suggested that you stand and greet him by name. 3) Good afternoon, Mr. Blake. 4) When answering a business phone, use Miss. Example: "Lawson Electrical Company, Miss Wade speaking." 5) Smoke during your coffee break, not at your desk, particularly if you have contact with the public.

Dear Miss Culgin: It is all right to make a small note at the table for instance if there were cold cuts, lettuce and tomatoes on separate platters.

Dear T.R.: Only in the most informal setting.

Dear Miss Culgin: I am not sure my father was right about something he did recently, so I am writing you. My mother was not at home when my sister called for me to take me to a semi-formal dance. My father talked to him to the living room while I was finishing dressing. When I walked into the room, I was carrying a dressy sweater that I thought I wouldn't need until later in the night when we were driving home.

My father said he thought it was cool and I should put the sweater on. My mother said he thought I should, too, but he didn't attempt to help me with it. When my father saw that he didn't get up and helped me with it, he should have done so. I was embarrassed. He should have done so. We will wait your answer.

A Reader: Your father did what any gentleman instinctively would do — he helped a lady with her wrap. If he failed to give you the opportunity to do it, he would have been wrong. Insofar as he did, however, and the young man failed to do what he should have done, there should be no concern as to his embarrassment.

Adult Club Dinner Dance

Rochester Catholic Adult Club dinner dance, Saturday, Aug. 24 at 7:30 p.m. in Hedges Nine Hills Point Hotel, 1290 Lake Rd., Webster. Carmine Petote, GL 8-2326 is taking reservations. The club will have a trip to Adirondack Park over Labor Day weekend. Reservations with Miss Petote.

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