

Fashions for Springtime



Holy Trinity parish Mothers Society Fashion Show by Style Shop of Webster and Projansky's of Rochester, to be held at Happy Acres Country Club Wednesday, March 23. Models include Mrs. Douglas Klem and Mrs. William Finney.

Nazareth Academy Alumnae Association Fashion Show by B. Forman Co., to benefit the Academy Convent Fund, to be held at the Academy, Friday, April 1. Committee includes Mrs. Robert Hussey, Miss Janet Doyle, Miss Bonnie Bauerschmidt and Mrs. Vincent Viavattene.



At Our House®

How Much Involvement?

By Mary Tinley Daily

Mrs. M.O.C. writes: "Do you think a young mother is justified in resigning from community activities to devote more time to her family? I have been criticized for begging off in fund-raising church doings since the birth of our fourth child, two months ago. Honestly, the disruption at home when I'm gone for hours, plus the price of baby sitters and my own reduced energy make such participation a real hardship. How can I get out gracefully?"

Oh, well... Each one of these groups has been extremely interesting and never boring. Lack of time, energy and the press of family duties along the way have curtailed or cancelled some of the efforts through the years. Some of them petered out simply because their function had been fulfilled.

There are the old standby: Sodality and college alumnae groups, membership in a newspaper club and on a couple of boards.

Not For Him

Proving the truth of the old adage that "opposites attract," the head of the House has always had a thing about being a "joiner."

Excusing Reason

Mrs. O.C. has a ready-made "out" in that new baby. Statistics prove her point. According to a recent study made at Purdue University, a new baby adds approximately 1,000 extra hours of work for his mother during the first year, amounting to nearly 20 hours a week, half of a fulltime, 40-hour-a-week job. This in addition to her previous work.

Somebody, somewhere, must have turned in the name of the author of this column as an instinctive joiner, for there is scarcely a day when the mail doesn't invite, for a fee, membership in a gourmet society, an investment club, a travel group, a book or magazine club. They sound intriguing so we keep the literature but no sign-up.

Enough is enough. Our only new membership will be in Joiners Anonymous...

Except, today came an announcement of Ida Jean Kalin's willingness to give fellow Newspaper Club members a series of six sessions to "tone up, slum down and escape the thinking, girl's posture."

Um... After we're all toned up, slummed down, and got rid of poor posture, then we'll join Joiners Anonymous!

Deadline for News Monday Noon

Father Berrigan, Back in U.S.

'Exhilarating Change'

New York — (RNS) — A Jesuit priest sent to South America for three months in what some called an attempt to "silence" his questioning of U.S. policy in Vietnam returned here in full voice.

Father Daniel Berrigan, S.J., the center of a controversy that spurred picket lines at the New York archdiocesan chancery and newspaper ad petitions, declared at an unequivocal that he is now free to speak, write and act on issues related to the peace movement.

The 44-year-old priest—meeting the press the day after completing his tour of 10 Latin American countries for Jesuit Missions magazine, which he serves as associate editor—was both casual and candid about what he called the "exhilarating change of atmosphere" that has taken place in the Roman Catholic Church on the issue of peace in general and Vietnam in particular.

Without naming names or specifying situations, Father Berrigan stated that his removal from the continent was the result of "certain pressures brought to bear" on his superiors.

The present change for instance, he said, has come about

through the "basic educability of good men" who responded to protests to his removal.

(Father James P. Cotter, S.J., the priest's immediate superior at Jesuit Missions, has stated: "As far as I'm concerned, Father Berrigan is free to engage in whatever outside activity he chooses.")

In his formal statement at the press conference, Father Berrigan declared that he would "take up again" his active co-chairmanship of the Clergy Concerned About Vietnam—an interreligious group he helped form last fall—and the International Fellowship of Reconciliation, which he serves as a board member.

Father Berrigan met the press at a conference arranged by the Macmillan Company, publishers of his latest volumes—"They Call Us Dead Men," a collection of essays, and "No One Walks Waters," a book of poetry. Both deal directly with the issues of peace, race, technology and other areas of social action.

Under questioning, the priest was called on repeatedly for his opinions on the relationship of "militant" priests to their religious superiors.

Father Berrigan avoided a direct answer as to his opinion on the call by Father William H. DuBay, California diocesan priest, for a union of clergymen ("First of all, I don't have to live in California," the New York Jesuit quipped), but said Father DuBay had made a "necessarily important" contribution to the movement toward freedom of expression for clergymen.

In regard to the whole subject of priests who come into conflict with their superiors on social issues, Father Berrigan firmly upheld the "right and obligation" of the priest to speak out.

To help close some breaches between parish and hierarchy, he suggested an "experiment" or structure whereby "priests and laymen can approach their bishops on questions... on which he (the bishop) stands at some distance."

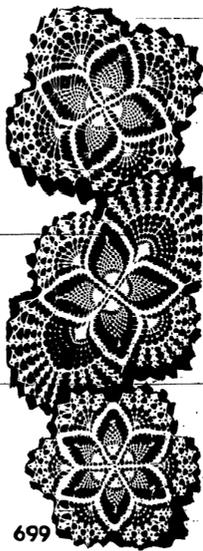
As to his personal opinion on the Vietnam conflict, Father Berrigan said it would coincide almost exactly with the statement issued by the World Council of Churches' Central Committee in February.

His position, he said, would urge an "unconditional cessation of bombing," involvement of the world community and a policy of dealing "with all forces there in negotiations to end the war."

The priest expressed gratitude at an apparent change in attitude toward the peace move-

ment in many quarters, commenting that some of the earlier now have "a respect" for the movement.

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25 Years of USO

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As part of the anniversary, the Catholic, Protestant and Jewish bodies making the USO's six member agencies sponsored celebrations around the country.

The USO, formally known as the United Service Organizations, was formed originally by combining in World War II the welfare efforts of the National Catholic Community Service, the National Jewish Welfare Board, the Young Men's Christian Association and the Young Women's Christian Association. Later the National Travelers Aid Association joined.

Bishop Paul F. Tanner, general secretary of the National Catholic Welfare Conference who has held a number of posts within the USO, noted here that one of the objectives of the organization is meeting the spiritual and religious needs of servicemen.

He suggested that in celebrations sponsored by religious bodies this aim be noted. In addition, he said, "calling attention to the USO at this time also served as a solemn reminder to offer prayers for the armed forces fighting in Vietnam."

Stanley P. Herbert, chairman of the executive committee of the National Catholic Community Service, said in another statement that the USO "merits the commendation of all Americans."

"The agency has been outstandingly successful in scope of operations, popularity and attainment of lofty purposes," he said.

The USO, which has headquarters in New York, is supported by voluntary contributions, primarily through United Funds and Community Chests.

Students Study Camus

Albert Camus and his position in contemporary philosophy (thought was the subject of this year's St. Thomas Aquinas Symposium presented by members of the Nazareth College Senior Philosophy Seminar at Student's Hour March 10. Speakers this year were: Mary Ellen Foody, Mary Kay Schwonke, Mary Eilers, Rose Marie, Abendroth and Aileen Synnott.

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