Hample, who has three children of his own under 10 and who was a regular guest cartoonist on the "Captain Kangeroo" TV show and who now writes_children's books, said he was envious of the simplicity of faith the children revealed in their letters to God.

"You'll notice that in drama and the arts there is a great tendency to get away from simple faith because it's not thought to be sophisticated,' Hample said. "Even adults have simple faith, but we are afraid

The Saturday Evening Post, which featured some of the letters and illustrations from the book in its Nov. 19 issue, devoted its editorial to "Visions of God," beginning with the Scriptural passage from Matthew 18, in which the disciples

vet learned that God can be addressed only on certain days dom of heaven.'

The illustrator, a native of Greece named Yanni Posnakoff, sion was undoubtedly responsible for one-a modern-day version of Noah's Ark, to accompany a letter from a girl who was thankful a recent long rain had stopped: "We thought it would be like Noah's Ark, but it wasn't. I'm glad, because you could only take two of things, remember, and we have cial and not private, the laity factual data not available at three cats."— (Catholic Press should be informed about this time. For example, we three cats." — (Catholic Press

Priests Elect 39 to Senate

Cleveland—(RNS)—A Senate of priests has been elected in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Cleveland by fellow priests to provide better liaison between bishop and clergy.

Thirty-nine priests were electthree from religious communiyear terms to provide for a continuity of membership.

Churches Join

Federation St. Louis-(RNS)-Individual

parishes in the St. Louis Roman Catholic archdiocese which seek to join the Metropolitan Church Federation must take steps to do so through the Archdiocesan Commission on Ecumenism Msgr. Joseph W. Baker, commission vice-chairman, has advised all priests in a letter.

His letter was sent out shortly after Joseph Cardinal Ritter, Archbishop of St. Louis and Commission, told a daily newshas not considered membership of Christ). in the Metropolitan Church Fed eration of Greater St. Louis or the Missiouri Council of Churches, but there is no reason why individual parishes may not

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Anthony J. Costello is the new advertising manager of the Catholic Courier Journal.

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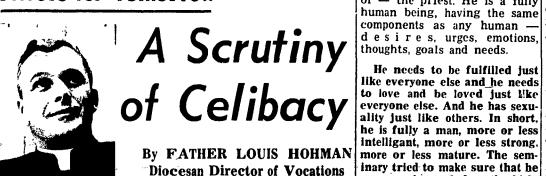
Costello, associated with Rochester newspapers for the past 10 years in their advertising departments, is a graduate of St. Francis Xavier parochial school. He is now, with his wife Elaine and two children, Brett_and_Lynette, a member of Christ the King parish, Irondequoit.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Connor, residents of Caledonia, are the parents of Father David Connor, chaplain at Cornell University, Harold Jr., John Paul, Gregory and Mary Ellen.



ANTHONY COSTELLO

Priests for Tomorrow



One of the aspects of the Catholic Church which ask Christ which shall be the keeps popping up in the secular press as well as the greatest in the kingdom of Catholic press is the subject of celibacy. Discussion of celibacy has raged around the transfer and discliplinary clerical celibacy has become so common among the laity question whether or not a man habits," and to weaken the "At the age of five or six," that a discussion or question answer period in which the could be a complete man with spirit of obedience within the said the Post, "they have not subject does not come up is unusual.

One good reason for this is and only in certain ways, that the publicity given to recent part of God's Revelation; that celibate laymen as well as conclusions, of your congrega-He makes sanctimonious dis defections from the priesthood it is a purely ecclesiastical law clerics. But the issue is inevittion have for the most part dis-He makes sanctimonious dis- defections from the production originating in the fiftith cen- ably brought down to the constitute consistent of the sipated them." He expressed and the disreputable, the godly several cases the priest in questions and the disreputable, the godly several cases the priest in questions that there are married text of our changing times. Are joy on hearing that the society and the disreputable, the godly several cases in picts in question and the ungodly. To them, He tion has even sought publicity, priests in the Eastern Rites of things different now? Can a has "decided to remain faithful is much simpler than that He Another reason is the tendency the Roman Catholic Church; priest be more effective in our and consistent to your fundais much simpler than that He Albahar Teason's the Charles of that certain ministers convert time if he is married? The demental constitutions, not abandall knowledge and all power, Church law under scrutiny and ed to Catholicism were allowed crees of Vatican II should draw oning your traditions.' and He reads all mail addressed re-examination. A third would to remain married after being priests much closer to their to 'Dear God,' and he might be the greater willingness in ordained priests; and that many people. Will he be a better with even be Chinese. These are, in- our times to discuss the faults bishops and priests in the time ness to our time and place i deed, the greatest in the king- and weaknesses that are found of the Apostles were married. he is not set apart from it by in the human element of the

distorted.

of the proble must try to about it. shed what light we can. Then, too, one can legitimately say social and not a private insti- final statement is, made, we tution, just as marriage is so- need an immense amount of celibacy since it is so intimate- need to know how many priests ly bound up with the priest have actually left the priesthood and its functioning in hood for this reason. Some of society. One would be hardpressed to deny that it has a
rather important bearing on say the least, based as they are their lives in terms of their re- on heresay, speculation, and lation to the Church.

It seems necessary, though to the relative percentages of point out that while some light Catholic marriages which fall. can be shed by discussion, the FACT of celibacy for the clergy of the Western Church will be perience of the married clergy,

unabashed guesswork. As Amer-

ica points out, we should know

We should examine the ex-

Just a few years ago celibacy

questions have been asked loud-

out. Why celibacy? What does

it mean? What is human sexu-

in the celibate state? Can he do

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with us for a long time to come, not only those of Eastern Rites, Pope John XXIII observed but the Protestant clergy too. once that by a stroke of his pen Obviously such statistics will ed to the Senate, 12 at large, he could abolish celibacy once not be a final answer of them-24 by groups of 25 priests di- and for all but that he simply selves, but certainly would be vided according to seniority and would never do it. Paul VI also an important part of the total declared that cellbacy would be picture. ties of men. Members were maintained, indicating to the elected to two, three and four- Council Fathers that they was so taken for granted by should not discuss the matter in session, but that he would priests and laity that no one

be glad to hear their private even bothered to question its meaning or its purpose. I think opinions on the subject. it will be of great value to It must also be pointed out priests, seminarians and laity that celibacy of the clergy is to work at finding realistic and not of Divine Faith, that is, a hard-core answers, now that the

Protestants

At Audience

ality? What is fulfillment? Can Vatican City - (RNS)-More a priest be a complete person than 500 students and professors of a Protestant college in the best possible job in his minth United States, currently on a istry as a celibate? Can a priest six-months' world tour, were received in audience by Pope really understand the problems of married people and families? What should be done about the

The group was from Chap-Archbishop of St. Louis and chairman of the Ecumenism college in Orange, Calif., priests who have left the priest-man College in Orange, Calif., hood because of this? which is maintained by the paper here that the archiocese Christian Churches (Disciples

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of the person we are speaking of - the priest. He is a fully d e s i r e s, urges, emotions, gation of the society. thoughts, goals and needs.

like everyone else and he needs regarding some proposals to to love and be loved just like change radically the church's everyone else. And he has sexuality just like others. In short, he is fully a man, more or less intelligent area, and he has sexual that some of the changes rumored or proposed caused actorishment. intelligant, more or less strong, astonishment and even sorrow. inary tried to make sure that he ports of proposals to change was a real man before the bish- greatly the society's rule as op ordained him.

out conjugal love. Certainly society. some of the finest and best men who have ever lived have been in the sky Pope Paul said "the the "caste of celibacy? In this discussion of priestly

celebacy it is to be observed A lot of questions and no There are many who still be- that we are not presuming to answers. But we did want to chose a small format for the lieve that this aspect of the give a definitive answer to the state the question as best we book (5½"x5½") and went to priesthood should be discussed problem or even to indicate could before even trying to Oblate Sisters of the Sacred New York City playgrounds to publicly. The reason to them whether there is a problem. Our give answers. Among the im- Heart and Mary Immaculate seek inspiration for the style of is simple. The subject is de only intention is to examine portant ones which we will take have distributed Holy Commun his illustrations, although his factor under discussion. Much warlous aspects of the matter up next week are — what is ion here to other nuns. own naval-architecture profes- that is said is emotional and/or which have been brought up, in this thing fulfillment which the hope of shedding some lit- everyone talks about these

Nuns Give Nampa, Atla. — (NC) — Two

tle light and perhaps helping days? What is mature human Communion to parishioners of We who reside at the center people to think more clearly sexuality? What is love? What Our Lady of Peace Church here, kind of love does a man need but Sister St. Marcel said "we America magazine pointed to give and to receive? We almost did, one Sunday," when than heat.

Jesuits Keep **Status Quo**

Rome - (NC) - Pope Paul VI told representatives of the Society of Jesus near the close of its 31st general congregation in Rome that "The Church accepts the offer of your work, and indeed of your lives.

"As soldiers of Christ such as you are she calls you and pledges you more than ever to arduous and holy battles in her

In an unprecedented gathering in the Sistine Chapel on November 16th the Pope concelebrated Mass with six Jesuit officials including Father General Pedro Arrupe., After the Mass he delivered a long dishuman being, having the same course to 220 Jesuits who were in Rome for the general congre-

Early in his speech Pope Paul He needs to be fulfilled just took note of "news and rumors"

Among these he noted relaid down by St. Ignatius, to Many an argument about renounce many venerable spir-

Referring to these as clouds

Communion

The nuns have not distributed that since the priesthood is a out recently that before any hope we can throw more light Oblate Father Louis Collin, the pastor, was sick.

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This is the third of a ser of articles on church music. S ter M. Benedict is supervi. of vocal music for the Sist of Mercy, vocal and instrum tal instructor at St. John Evangelist School, choir dir tress of St. John the Evange. Church in Humboldt St., and member of the Diocesan Mu Commission.

The first two articles in series treated liturgical mu in a general fashion. The fi explored the nature of changes which have been int duced into the Catholic church during the past few years. also analysed some of the rent attitudes to these inno tions. The second article scribed the experimentati with new musical forms for t liturgy which are being ma in Europe. THIS THIRD article will

rectly confront the particu problem of church music on t level of the elementary scho

An obvious starting point the present discussion is fact that any universal chan of attitude or any sweepi reformation of the way peop react to important things their lives can only be succe fully accomplished after ma years. The reform will probal be satisfactorily achieved or after a generation of trial a

In this regard, then, the Ca olic elementary schools are decisive factor since they ha within their walls the power bring about the change. Th students will be fully Church of the aggiornamen They are the ones who grow up in the new climate liturgical awareness and f participation at worship.

For this reason many pr ing questions can be asl about the liturgical and mu cal formation which is prov ed in our parochial schools.

What are the students tween the ages of six and th teen taugh about the litur and music? Are they better formed Christians because of Vatican Council or because the influence of the paroch school? Are they offered a ge ine opportunity to participate fully as possible in the n liturgy so that they will hav meaningful grasp and living their Christian faith? The and many other questions, co readily to mind.

The music program in elementary schools of the cese is a very diversified musical education. The stu is given a rudimentary ur standing of music theory, ern and gregorian, which braces note reading and training in music apprecia which covers the works lives of composers from J Bach to Howard Hanson. Th is also ample opportunity to

Teilhard Cont

London —(RNS)— Obser here see bright prospects fo expanded dialogue betwe Christians and Communists result of the recent first an conference of the newly for Pierrie Teilhard de Chardin sociation of Great Britain

The two day gathe brought together 400 person priests and nuns, Protes clergymen, politicians, doc and students-to honor the and work of the famed Fro Jesuit who died 11 years He was hailed variously as evolutionary thinker comp ble with Darwin and Marx as the first mystic visional attempt a reasoned synth between science and theo since St. Tomas Aquinas.

These characteristics set tone of the meeting here feature was the standing over accorded a leading French

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