



Sisters of St. Joseph who are professing final vows.

Final Vows Made by 12 Sisters of Saint Joseph

Twelve young women who entered the Sisters of St. Joseph in September, 1963, will have professed their final vows by mid-June in separate ceremonies in the communities where they are working.

A special Mass and reception has been scheduled during May or June for each Sister.

Those who already have made their vows are Sister Anne Pfrang, daughter of Mr. and

Mrs. Joseph Pfrang of St. Michael's, Rochester, whose ceremony was held May 16 at St. Lawrence Church, Greece; Sister Nancy Clark, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin T. Clark of St. Anne's, Rochester, May 23 at Nativity Church, Brockport; Sister Alice Marie Kurtz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kurtz of St. Joseph's, Wayland, May 23 at St. Mary's, Canandaigua, and Sister Jean Collins, daughter of Mrs. John Collins and the late Mr. Collins of Sacred Heart Cathedral parish, May 23 at Mother of Sorrows, Greece.

This Sunday, May 30, the ritual will be conducted at Our Lady of Lourdes, Brighton, for Sister Mary Cumbo, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cumbo of St. Francis of Assisi, Rochester, and Sister Marie Susanne Hoffman, daughter of Mrs. Joseph Hoffman and the late Mr. Hoffman of St. Helen's parish.

Also on May 30, for Sister Maria Hoffman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Hoffman of St. Alphonsus, Auburn, at St. Ambrose, Rochester, and for Sister Eileen Daly, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Daly of Mother of Sorrows, at Our Lady of Victory, Rochester.

On June 6, Sister Mary Ellen Bossack, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Bossack of Immaculate Conception, Ithaca, and Sister Mary Clouser, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roger M. Clouser of St. Mary's, Genesee, will profess their vows in the Motherhouse Chapel. Sister Kathleen Carroll, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald V. Carroll of Mother of Sorrows will profess at St. John the Evangelist, Spencerport.

The ceremony is scheduled for June 13 at St. Augustine's for Sister Benjamin LaRock, daughter of Mrs. Thomas LaRock and the late Mr. LaRock of Chillicothe, Ohio.

During the Fall, Sister Bernice Nedzynski, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Felix Nedzynski of Frankfort, N.Y., also will profess final vows.

FRUIT FLUFF

Chill strawberry-flavored gelatin until partially set. Whip lightly and fold into whipped cream and well-drained canned fruit cocktail. Turn into individual molds or serving dishes and chill until firm.

THURSDAY DEADLINE

Remember that the news and photo deadline for the Courier-Journal is Thursday noon for the following week's newspaper.



FR. ANDREW GREELEY The Church 1971

Many people have asked whether I think the National Opinion Research Center study on the American priesthood had any impact on the recent bishops' meeting and will have any impact on the synod next Fall. I am forced, to respond that I had no expectations before the study was completed that it would notably affect either meeting and that nothing that happened at the bishops' meeting caused me to revise this expectation.

The reception accorded the sociological report was cordial enough, but our research did not, I am sure, change anyone's mind. As one very prominent ecclesiastic put it to me (without ever losing his tone of cordiality), "I simply don't believe your figures!"

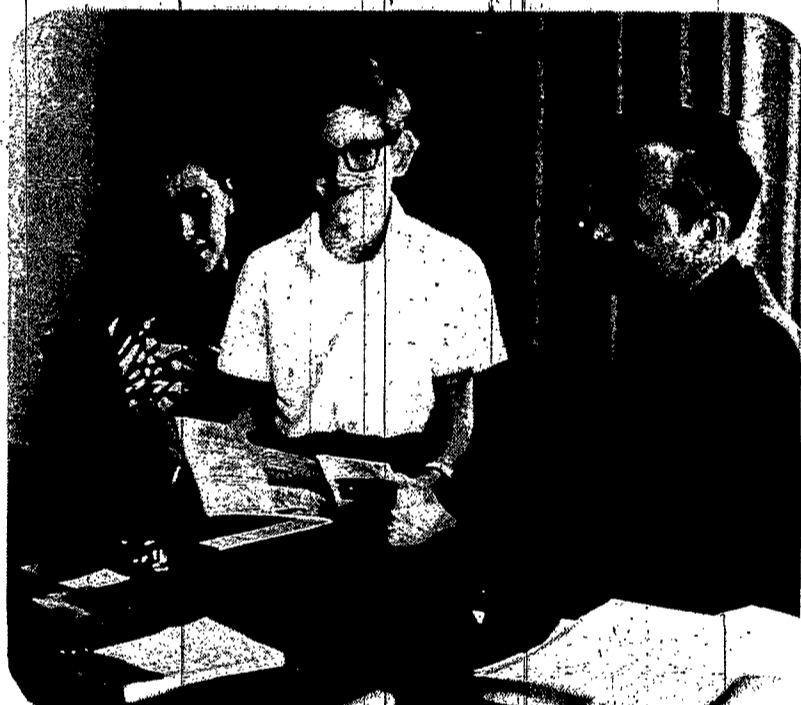
This is a typical reaction to any research project. When a client is presented with empirical evidence that runs counter to his expectations and convictions, his first reactions are disbelief and anger. It is only in the long run that the findings of research are accepted—if then.

It is only the most naive researcher who thinks that his findings are going to have a short-run effect on his clients. Quite the contrary! If his findings are particularly distasteful, the researcher is fortunate to escape with his skin. When our minds are made up, no one of us — bishop, priest, or layman — is inclined to have his posi-

tion changed by something as irrelevant as facts — not at least until we've had a long time to ponder the facts.

One does not engage in research to change people's minds, to advocate a policy, to promote social change — not at least if one has had experience in dealing with human beings. One does research rather to get at the truth, to describe the facts of the situation, to analyze and explain the facts, and perhaps to speculate about their meaning. One expects that in the long run truth triumphs over falsehood, scientific analysis over prejudice. The good researcher knows that if he abandons his position of professional impartiality and tries to become an advocate, he will only postpone the day when his clients are ready to admit that he has indeed managed to speak the truth.

I'm sorry about this. I know that many priests in the country had hoped that the NORC study would cause a "turn around" in the American Church. In the long run, I think it might play some small role in changing the state of the priesthood in our country, but that's the most I ever expect that any research activity will accomplish — small change in the long run. Those who predict disaster if there is not great change in the short run may very well be right. But research is, alas, not an adequate weapon for staving off disaster.



Camp Winner

Ronnie Patton (center) happily makes plans for a week at Camp Stella Maris with Father William Charbonneau and his mother, Mrs. Ronald Patton. Ronnie received the week at camp as a first communion gift from his mother, who bought it as part of the Channel 21 auction. The camp gave proceeds to the station.

Weekend Airwaves

Radio and TV

SATURDAY

Chan. 21-TV, Rochester 5:30 P.M. "INSIGHT": Drama by Paulist Prod.

WSAY, Rochester
WRLX, Auburn
WCLI, Corning 7 P.M. Family Rosary.

SUNDAY

WROC, Rochester 7:45 A.M. Sacred Heart program

Chan 10-TV, Rochester 8:30 A.M. Sunday Mass

WEBO, Owego 9:25 A.M. Sunday Mass

Chan 10-TV, Rochester 1 P.M. "INSIGHT": Drama by Paulist Prod.

WHAM, Rochester 6:45 P.M. "God in the Headlines; Father Richard Torney. Interview with Dr. Stanley Troup, General Hospital on "The dying patient."

K of C Presents Check

The central chapter of the Knights of Columbus held its 20th annual Bishops' Bourse dinner last week at the Rochester Council 178 clubrooms.

A check was presented to the bishop for various diocesan charities. Accepting the check

for the bishop was Father William J. Flynn, vice chancellor of the diocese. The amount of the check was not disclosed.

The principal speaker for the dinner was James E. Foley, supreme director of the state K. of C.

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