

Two New Features

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know what you think.

In fact that's what we're calling Charlie's series, "What Do You Think?"

So Randisi will be showing up at various meetings to ask such questions as what do you think about busing to achieve racial integration of schools? . . . about optional celibacy? . . . about X-rated movies on television?

Look for him; your answers will be the topic of the new series beginning May 3.

On the other hand, readers, too, have questions and we hope that Father Hohman, episcopal advisor to the Courier-Journal, will be able to provide the answers.

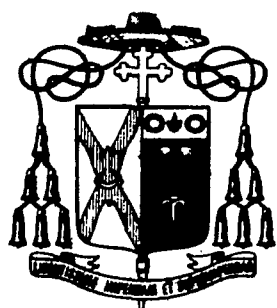
He will be giving straight answers to your

questions on such subjects as faith and morals as well as the proper Christian response to such problems as war, racism, poverty, women's lib, ecumenism.

Father Hohman has been rector at Becket Hall, diocesan director of vocations, spiritual director at St. Andrew's Seminary, chaplain of the Rochester Institute of Technology Newman Club, director of the diocesan Apostleship of Prayer, as well as a seminary teacher. He is presently associate pastor at St. Vincent de Paul in Churchville.

So if you have a perplexing problem or just a plain old fashioned question remember to ask Father Hohman through "The Open Window".

The Bishop's Public Appointments



May

- 4 — Confirmation, St. Januarius, Naples - 7:45 p.m.
- 5 — New York State Bishops' Meeting, New York City 10 a.m.
- 7 — Dedication of Southern Tier Institute of Rehabilitation, St. Joseph's Hospital, Elmira - 11 a.m.
- 7 — Confirmation, St. Margaret Mary, Apalachin - 3 p.m.
- 8 — Interdepartmental Staff Meeting - 1:30 p.m.
- 9 — Confirmation, St. John's, Clyde - 7:45 p.m.
- 11 — Confirmation, St. Aloysius, Auburn - 7:45 p.m.
- 12 — Confirmation, St. John's, Spencerport - 7:45 p.m.
- 13 — Priesthood Ordination, St. Joseph's, Wayland - 2 p.m.
- 13 — Radio Message, WSAY and Affiliates - 7 p.m.
- 16 — Centenary Celebration of Ogdensburg Diocese, Olympic Arena, Lake Placid - 12 p.m.
- 18 — Society for the Propagation of the Faith, 123 East Avenue - Celebration of the Eucharist and Dedication of New Diocesan Office - 12:05 p.m.
- 19 — Priesthood Ordination, St. Christopher's, Chili - 7:30 p.m.
- 20 — Priesthood Ordination, St. Francis de Sales, Geneva - 11 a.m.
- 20 — Celebration of Eucharist for Scouts, Oatka Park - 4:30 p.m.
- 21 — Celebration of Eucharist and Homily, St. Pius V, Cohocton - 10 a.m.
- 21 — Legion of Mary, Right to Life Prayer Service, Notre Dame Retreat House - 3:30 p.m.
- 22 — Confirmation, St. Vincent de Paul, Churchville - 7:45 p.m.
- 23 — Confirmation, St. Mary's of the Lake, Ontario - 7:45 p.m.
- 25 — Celebration of Eucharist, St. Patrick's Junior High School, Elmira - 1 p.m.
- 25 — Confirmation, St. Mary's, Elmira - 7:45 p.m.
- 26 — Baccalaureate Celebration of Eucharist and Homily, Nazareth College, Motherhouse Chapel - 8 p.m.
- 27 — Priesthood Ordination, St. John's, Greece - 2:30 p.m.
- 28 — Celebration of Eucharist, Diocesan Missions Appeal, TV Channel 10 - 8:30 a.m.

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Father Tormey Assigned to Bolivia Post

Father Daniel P. Tormey, chaplain at Rochester General Hospital, will join in the missionary work of Rochester priests and nuns in LaPaz, Bolivia, beginning around Aug. 1.

Father Tormey has been chaplain at General since June 1967. He also served temporarily last summer on the ship HOPE in Kingston, Jamaica.

Father Tormey volunteered for the assignment in response to Bishop Joseph L. Hogan's request for priests to work in Latin America. He will stay in Bolivia for a period of three to five years.

"The diocese believes and I personally believe in the viability of the operation in Bolivia," said Father Tormey. "I think that the work being carried on there should continue."

Three Priests Named to Grievance Panel

Bishop Joseph L. Hogan this week established a three-man grievance board for the diocese.

Father John S. Whalen, pastor of Our Lady of Mercy, Father Paul McCabe, associate pastor of Corpus Christi, and Father Timothy Weider, director of Catholic Family Center and administrator of Sacred Heart Church in Perkinsville, were named to the board.

The Priests' Council recommended there be a grievance board established to relieve the personnel board of such matter.



Scouts Celebrate 25th

Retired bishop James E. Kearney puts the Bronze Pelican award around the neck of Father Timothy Weider at the 25th annual dinner of the diocesan Catholic committee on scouting, held at St. John Fisher College April 23. Dinner was to honor Bishop Kearney. Also receiving Bronze Pelican awards were, below, Father James F. Cross, CSB, and Father Gerald T. Connor, both for work aiding Catholic scouting.



Nixon Panel Urges School Aid Now

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construction of non-public schools, and tuition reimbursement in any future federal aid program for the states.

In outlining its proposals, the panel strongly warned that without some form of immediate governmental assistance, the current decline of the non-public schools, mainly Roman Catholic, will "shift a crushing burden" to public education. There are about 5.2 million students in U.S. non-public schools.

Speaking for President Nixon, who released the report, White House Press Secretary Ronald Ziegler said Nixon considers the tax credit approach a "very active option" but has not yet given his endorsement to it.

He said the President was "impressed" with the report — entitled "Non-Public Education and the Public Good" — presented to him by Dr. Clarence Walton, president of the Catholic University of America and chairman of the Presidential Commission on School Finance.

Auxiliary Bishop William E. McManus of Chicago, a member of the panel and head of the U.S. Catholic bishops' education committee, said after a meeting with Nixon that he "felt confident" the President would support legislation providing tax credits for non-public school tuition.

Specifically, the panel's report called for a tax credit program that would afford parents a maximum of \$400 per child per year, but the amount of credit would depend on family income.

Dr. Walton explained to Religious News Service that the tax credit program is "geared" to 50 per cent of the tuition, however, and aimed primarily at

families in the \$7,500 to \$15,000 income range.

The panel report also recommended a four-part federal assistance program for the urban poor, the major aspect of which is a system of grants toward tuition costs for welfare recipients and the working poor. Averaging \$100, these grants would aid an estimated 175,000 families whose incomes are under \$5,000 annually. It would cost the government about \$30 million.

The same urban poor proposal also urged experimentation with vouchers for parents in the inner city, strict enforcement

of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act so all children receive full benefits, and adoption of a program to provide "interim emergency funds" on a matching basis to large center-city public and non-public schools.

In addition to a federal construction loan program for private and parochial schools, the panel also recommended a tuition reimbursement plan whereby states receiving federal education funds would be required to distribute some of the money to non-public school parents. This would "insure equity" and "equal participation" by all children in federal programs.



First Blessing

Father David E. Fedor was guest at a reception, Sunday, April 16 sponsored by the Women of St. Mary's Senior Choir. Ordained at Holy Ghost Church in Rochester, Saturday, April 15, his first Mass was celebrated Sunday at St. Mary's, his home parish. He is shown here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emery Fedor of 78 Swift St., administering his first priestly blessing, to his godchild, Beth Zanowick.