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## The Open Window



**Q. Who is the diocesan exorcist and how frequently are exorcisms performed in the diocese?**

**A.** The office of exorcist is one of the four Minor Orders of the Church. Every seminarian on his way to the priesthood receives it and it is implicit in the priesthood of Holy Orders. In particular cases of diabolical possession, however, a particular man in that Order, ordinarily a priest, is appointed to handle the situation.

He is always a man of deep spirituality and good emotional balance.

He must prepare for the exorcism by much prayer and fasting since our Lord made reference to the fact that these spirits are cast out by prayer and fasting. (This was on an occasion when the Apostles found themselves unable to cast out an evil spirit.)

As far as I know there have been no exorcisms in this diocese in many years. It is possible, I suppose, that one or more might have been done secretly for one reason or another.

Questions for Father Hohman should be addressed to him care of "The Open Window", the Courier-Journal, 67 Chestnut St., Rochester, N.Y. 14604.

## St. Helen's School Names Layman As Principal

St. Helen's School Board recently announced the selection of Michael Vigue as the new principal of St. Helen's School for the 1972-73 academic year.

In keeping with the modern trend of parochial administration, St. Helen's has selected Vigue, an experienced administrator on both the elementary and secondary levels.

The emergence of the layman in Catholic education is not new, but professional lay administrators are relatively new in parochial schools of the Rochester Diocese.

The Sisters of Mercy staff St. Helen's School.

"With the emergence of the laity Catholic education has been enriched and rewarded. It is in this spirit that St. Helen's School now moves forward with renewed hope that the excellence of Catholic education is advancing," according to Msgr. Patrick J. Flynn, pastor of the parish.

Vigue will relocate with his wife and family in the town of Gates. He holds a B.A. and M.A. degree, and a Certificate of Advanced Studies in Administration from Oswego State University. He is a former principal of Blessed Sacrament School in Seminole, Florida, and is now Dean of Academic Affairs at Bishop Grimes High School in Syracuse.

### PAPAL VISITOR

Vatican City — (RNS) — Pope Paul received Sir Robin Askins, the premier of New South Wales, Australia, in private audience on May 1. Against a background of widespread reports that the Pope plans to attend the 40th Eucharistic Congress next year in Australia, a spokesman for the prime minister said the two men had not discussed the possibility.

## Business In the Diocese

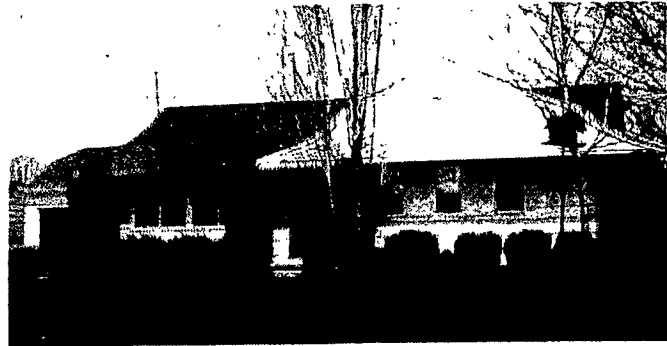
Leo R. Gleichauf, 43 Brighton Park, recently celebrated both his retirement and his completion of 50 years of service with Art-Craft Optical Company.

At a party in his honor given April 27 by Art-Craft, he was presented with a check for \$1,000. Gleichauf is the first employe to complete 50 years of active service at Artercraft.

He and his wife Ethel are looking forward to spending summers at their Cape Vincent camp by the Thousand Islands, and winters in Florida.

A member of St. Anne's Church, Gleichauf helped to organize the Catholic Bowling League and was a league member for 40 years.

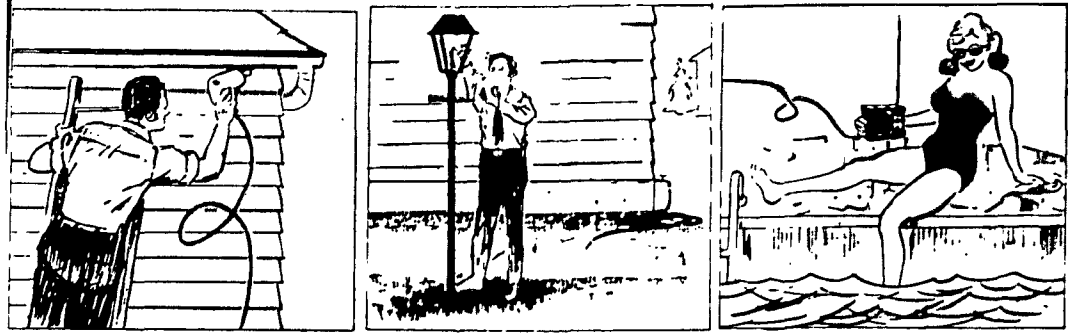
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# The safe use of electricity outdoors



Now that we are arriving at the time of year when we spend more and more time in our backyard, RG&E feels that it is appropriate to feature the "Safe Use of Electricity Outdoors" as the topic for May's Consumer Information Center.

How much do you know about the safe use of electricity outdoors? Do you remember drawings you saw as a child that asked you, "What's wrong with this picture?" Apply that question to the above three pictures. If you have the answers, you're already one step ahead in understanding the safe use of electricity outdoors.

Start with the picture on the left. This man is standing on an aluminum ladder and using an electric drill. If the electric drill shorts out and energizes its casing, he would most likely receive a severe electric shock which would travel from his right hand through his body and to the ground. Since the ladder is made of a material which is a good conductor of electricity (unlike wood ladders) it provides the electricity with an easy path to the ground.

The picture in the middle shows a man changing a light bulb and standing on damp ground. By standing on damp ground he has placed himself in danger of shock resulting from contact with an energized socket.

Our swimmer has also placed herself in danger. In the event of a short in her electric radio, she has provided the electricity with several easy paths to ground. Her left foot is in the pool and her left hand and right leg rest in puddles on the area around the pool.

Here are some rules you should have picked up from these 3 situations; don't stand on damp ground when using electricity outdoors; keep TV's, radios, lamps, etc., away from poolside; when using electric tools don't let your body come in contact with a good conductor of electricity like an aluminum ladder. In addition, don't use indoor cords, fixtures and lamps outdoors; if you need outdoor wiring, have a qualified electrician install permanent weatherproof outlets.

## How to protect yourself from shock

Each year more than 1,000 people in the United States are killed and thousands are injured because of electrical accidents due to faulty equipment or carelessness and misuse of electrical equipment.

One way people have protected themselves has been by grounding their appliances with three-prong plugs plugged into a three-hole outdoor receptacle.

A new piece of protective equipment, known as a ground-fault circuit-interrupter, is on the market. It was developed to detect and make harmless tiny current leakage — a current as small as .06 amperes can kill a healthy man. One ground-fault circuit-interrupter is activated by a fault current to the ground that exceeds .05 amperes. It cuts off the power within 25 milliseconds; this is far faster than a single heartbeat. It provides an excellent back-up protection where grounding and circuit breakers are not effective.

The National Electrical Code now requires that all "outdoor receptacles located between 10 feet and 15 feet of the inside walls of a permanently installed pool shall be protected by a ground-fault circuit-interrupter." Storage pools "shall be supplied by circuits protected by ground-fault circuit-interrupters."

Stop in at our Consumer Information Center during May and speak to our expert from the Residential Department who will be glad to tell you how the ground-fault circuit-interrupter works. He'll also give you advice on any question you have regarding the use of electricity outdoors. He'll staff the Center Monday through Fridays, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Tuesday evenings from 7 to 8:30.

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