



**Founder Honored**

Sister Agnes Patricia Breen, the only surviving founding member of the Nazareth College of Rochester faculty, exchanges favorite reminiscences with three members of the college's first class at the recent alumnae homecoming weekend. Sister Agnes Patricia was one of five faculty members honored for "extraordinary and distinguished service to the college" for 40 or more years. Seated [l. to r.] are Sister Agnes Patricia, Mrs. Edward R. McGraw, Mrs. Thomas E. McGrath, and Mrs. Eugene C. Gorsuch.

**Newman and Campus**

**Where Jeans Are 'Sunday Best'**

[Last in a Series]

By PAT PETRASKE

It's not exactly a typical parish. Blue jeans are the accepted "Sunday best." The parishioners are all approximately the same age, and they all live and work together in a "neighborhood" of dormitories and classrooms.

But no matter what form the parish takes, whether it develops a parish council or just has a coffee hour after Mass, the campus ministry apostolate prevents the student from being just another number in the academic world.

"There's a basic willingness on the part of students to become involved as long as they are wanted," began Sister Joan Sobala, a campus minister at the University of Rochester. There the ministry team tries to invite as many students as possible, regardless of religion, to its activities. Sister Joan added that many students would not volunteer for events such as an ecology practicum (a campus clean-up) but come along if invited.

Campus ministry programs usually start from scratch and develop along the guidelines established by the students. "...It

**Science Teachers To Set Up Show On Fisher Campus**

An elaborate science show assembled at St. John Fisher College by the Science Teachers Association of New York State will be open to the public next Wednesday, May 22, 6:30-9:30 p.m.

Major industries, area universities and colleges, and various agencies have contributed. Lasers, computers, telescopes and the Wankel engine, glass blowing, rocketry and weather forecasting are among the 100 exhibits and demonstrations. A highlight is a touring show called This Atomic World.

A daytime program of talks by 80 scientists is expected to attract 5,000 pre-registered students, according to Jack Darcy, a local teacher who is vice chairman of the association. The free show in the evening is especially for youngsters seeking career guidance, for families and community groups, he said.

may look good on paper but before we do anything, it must have come from the students," she said.

Many of the colleges in the diocese have developed parish councils comprising a board of students and campus ministers, with faculty members also as voting representatives or as advisors. In addition, as at the U of R for example, the parish council might include members from the administration and graduate school, married students and some of other faiths, to provide a "reflection of the university campus."

"Open dialogue" is the key phrase. Father Gerald Appelby, director of the Diocesan Newman Board and campus minister at Rochester Institute of Technology, sees the role of the council as a "governing, not just an advisory, board."

One of the functions of a parish council is to help select its own leadership. Members of the parish council interview and screen applicants for the campus ministry office and send their suggestion to the Bishop and the personnel committee. The council is also responsible for two thirds of the operating budget, with partial funding provided by the diocese. Events like the ten mile Walk-a-Thon at the State University College at Geneseo, which raised \$4,000 in 1973, bolster the budget.

At St. John Fisher College, no parish council exists. There is a religious affairs commission, and campus needs are answered by informal groups of interested students and faculty members. Father Joseph Trovato, chaplain at St. John Fisher, believes that a small college is not limited to ministering to just one segment of the campus population.

"Masses tend to be more innovative here because you don't have to meet all age levels," observed Sister Kathleen O'Connell, associate chaplain at Geneseo.

Originality in the liturgy is not found in "doing spectacular things but through student participation." At RIT, the talents

of the students have been put to the creative test in the Audio Visual Communications Committee, which puts together slide shows, films, plays and dance presentations to celebrate the liturgy.

The liturgy is the only time where "you can get 600 people together and discuss something in depth," Sister Joan explained. Students on secular campuses tend to be "theologically unsophisticated," without strong Catholic backgrounds. Thus the liturgy has become an educational tool. It was used, for example, by Father Sebastian Falcone, academic dean and a professor of sacred scripture at St. Bernard's Seminary for a discussion of the New Testament during two weekends at the U of R.

Social activities are downplayed by the campus ministry apostolate because the colleges themselves host many functions. Coffee hours and sharing suppers are still popular and are sponsored by the campus ministry to point out the importance of the social dimension, Sister Joan said. She observed that students are the products of "very intellectual backgrounds and often lack social amenities."

At RIT priests and sisters can be seen waiting on tables at Boswell House, a coffee house that peddles "non-religious religion," Father Appelby explained. It's the kind of religious atmosphere that "doesn't have to hit you over the head" to be noticed, he said.

The massive, vocal protests of the 60's have given way to a quieter, campaign for social justice in the 70's. Students are now looking in their own backyards for human development projects, including tutoring, visits to the state hospital and Monroe County Home, clothing drives and Big Brother/Big Sister programs.

**Renewal Mass Held**

Auburn — The Renewal Mass for representatives from the area renewal groups from Auburn to Newark was concelebrated recently at St. Alphonsus Church by Father Anthony Valente, associate pastor, St. Mary's, Auburn; Father William M. Barrett, chaplain, Newark State School; and Father John S. Hayes, senior coordinator, Cayuga/Sebeca Region.

Monthly masses will be celebrated in alternating locations throughout the area to provide opportunity for renewal groups to come together to celebrate their community of faith through mutually enriching and penetrating worship experiences.

Renewal groups represented included Cursillo, Marriage Encounter, Better World, Exodus, Charismatics, Teen Seminar, and Pre-Cana.

**St. M. Mary Literature Fest**

In order to foster a greater interest in reading, St. Margaret Mary School will sponsor a "Literature Festival" at the school, on Friday, May 17.

The students will attend during the regular school hours. The public is invited to come between 7 and 9 p.m.

The coordinator of the festival is Mrs. Patricia O'Neill.

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