

Readership Survey

All are invited to fill in and return the special Courier-Journal readership survey which is between Pages 2 and 3. This is the most comprehensive survey ever undertaken by this newspaper and we will print the results as soon as possible after analysis.

The first part of the survey already has been taken — by random samplings to 7 per cent of our subscriber list of 70,000 and also by mail to all priests, Sisters, Brothers, and presidents of parish councils in the diocese.

Bishop Joseph L. Hogan said, "Your cooperation and participation in this readership survey will help the Courier-Journal in its constant goal to improve."

Surveys are to be sent to Courier-Journal Research, 555 Albany Ave., Amityville, N.Y. 11701. Follow instructions on the survey page to make your returns.

The Planning and Research Center of the diocese of Rockville Centre will evaluate the results. Sister Helen Butler, OP, will supervise the compilation and analysis.

This is the only time the survey will be printed in the Courier-Journal so subscribers are urged to fill it in now and mail it quickly.

Pope Paul Urges Quest for Peace

Vatican City — Pope Paul VI last week used the occasion of the 11th anniversary of his pontificate to emphasize his concern for peace in the world.

In an address to the College of Cardinals, he deplored "the continuing tragedy and outbreaks of violence in Northern Ireland" and also voiced hopes that "goodwill and justice" will bring about solutions to problems concerning Portuguese territories in Africa.

The Pope urged world leaders to seek a solution to the problems of Palestinians.

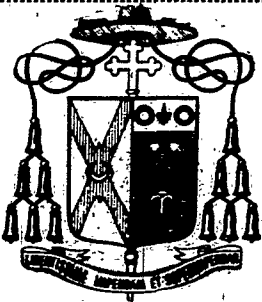
"We would not be wise to fail

to encourage all responsible parties not to omit any effort of goodwill and political wisdom in the search for a just and becoming means of unraveling the problems, so difficult and so sad, concerning the destiny of the Palestinian population."

He also welcomed "the new light of hope for peace in the Middle East that has been kindled by the intense activity and the converging efforts of men in high posts of responsibility."

He apparently was alluding to the recent efforts of Secretary of State Henry Kissinger and President Nixon in healing Middle East sore spots.

Diocesan Appointments



ASSOCIATE PASTORS

Father M. Gerard Hafner, to St. John the Evangelist, Clyde, and St. Patrick, Savannah, from Our Lady of Mercy, Greece.

Father John Karp, to St. Stanislaus, Rochester, as associate pastor, from the pastorate of St. Stanislaus, Bradford, and St. Joseph, Campbell.

Father Gerard J. Guli, to be administrator of St. Stanislaus, Bradford, and St. Joseph, Campbell, from associate pastor, St. Michael, Rochester.



Photos by Susan McKinney

Wrapping It Up!

The flag was lowered for the last time this school year as schools closed last week. Seventh graders Joanne Brock [right] and Peggy Cassidy complete the job usually handled by the class ahead of them at St. Thomas More School. With a few deft moves the flag is neatly folded and must wait until Sept. 3 for student hands to send it up the pole again. Most of the 87 diocesan schools spent their last week with half-day sessions June 17-19 that were filled with going-away parties, plays and special celebrations. June 20 officially marked the end of the school year. Now the 25,475 elementary and 8,778 high school students can enjoy the pleasures of Summer.



2 City Schools to Close

A realignment of education services in the inner city will see the closing of two parochial schools and a new role for a third, it was announced Monday by the Council of Inner City Parishes.

The action was decided upon at a CICP executive committee meeting Sunday night at St. Michael's and will mean the elimination of schools at Mt. Carmel and St. Bridget's and the end of junior high classes at St. Michael's to be replaced by elementary grades, kindergarten through 6.

This will leave three schools under CICP jurisdiction — St. Michael's, Holy Redeemer and

Immaculate Conception, and all will be for elementary grades.

According to Bob Molinari, executive director of the CICP, the action was taken "regrettably" because of a "deficit of \$80,000 which has to be carried as a four-year debt and with inflation rising at an 8 per cent rate per year."

The executive committee acted "with despair, because without additional funding they were forced to make their hard decision," Molinari said.

The CICP will provide for transfer and transportation for students from Mt. Carmel and St. Bridget's to St. Michael's.

Junior high students from St. Michael's will be placed in other local parochial schools or transferred to public schools in the area.

The executive committee is made up of representatives from Mt. Carmel, St. Bridget's, St. Michael's, Holy Redeemer, Immaculate Conception, St. Lucy's, St. Francis Xavier, St. Patrick's, the Spanish Apostolate, Human Development Office and the Black Caucus.

The CICP is located at 343 Clifford Ave. and, according to Molinari, will be looking for suggestions for the use of the school buildings at St. Bridget's and Mt. Carmel.