



Photos by Susan McKinney

Students Make Pilgrimage

Father William Endres leads a Holy Year pilgrimage of 7th and 8th grade students from Sacred Heart Cathedral school, photo above, on a pilgrimage to the cathedral Friday, Oct. 25. The students used candles, photo at right, to show their Christian unity and their ability as a collective group to illuminate the world.



80 Catholics Endorse Ordination of Women

Washington, D.C. [RNS] — A group of 80 North American Roman Catholic theologians and writers, including some of the U.S. Church's most prominent liberals, has called for the ordination of women to the priesthood.

"We also believe that the priesthood should become available to both married and unmarried men and women," said the statement released here.

The statement was pegged to the controversy in the Episcopal Church over the irregular ordinations of 11 women deacons in Philadelphia last July.

It was issued as three of the 11 women made plans to celebrate (in New York) their first Eucharist in defiance of the Episcopal House of Bishops, which declared the ordinations "not valid" and asked the women not to assume priestly functions.

Signers of the Catholic

statement said they agreed in principle that women should be ordained "to the priesthood of the universal church." They noted possible differences among themselves on the "prudential aspects" of the Philadelphia ordinations.

Among the signers were Father Gregory Baum, OSA, St. Michael's College, Toronto, Ont.; Father Charles Curran, Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C.; Dr. Josephine Massingberd Ford, University of Notre Dame; and Thomas Quigley, director of the Latin American Bureau, U.S. Catholic Conference, Washington, D.C.

"We express the hope that the Episcopal Church will complete the approval of ordination for women which has already been expressed by a majority of the House of Bishops and the Deputies to the General Convention of the Episcopal Church."

The Episcopal Church opened

the diaconate to women in 1970. A bid to allow women priests failed at the 1973 General Convention because of a technicality on vote counting. A majority of the bishops and the deputies (clergy and laity) supported the move.

"We are also sensitive to our own Church's participation in this same sin. We hope that the Roman Catholic Church will respond to the signs of the Spirit which are visible in our sister Church and will take steps to include women in the priestly ministry of our own Church."

The statement noted that Pope John XXIII said in *Pacem in Terris*, "Since women are becoming ever more conscious of their human dignity, they will not tolerate being treated as mere material instruments, but demand rights befitting a human person, both in domestic and in public life."

Other signers included: Dr. Rosemary Ruether, Howard University, Washington, D.C.; Father Daniel Berrigan, Philip Berrigan; Dr. Leslie Dewart, St. Michael's College, Toronto, Ont.; Dr. Daniel Maguire, Marquette University, Milwaukee; Father Richard McBrien, Boston College; Father Richard McCormick, Georgetown University, Washington; Father John Pawlikowski, Catholic Theological Union, Chicago; Sister Albertus McGrath, Rosary College, Chicago, Ill.

Dr. Gordon Zahn, University of Massachusetts, Amherst; Brother Gabriel Moran, F.S.C.; Father John Kirvan, editor, *Paulist Press*; Dr. Eugene Bianchi, California State University, Sacramento; Dr. Leonard Swidler, Temple University, Philadelphia; and Father Bernard Cooke, University of Windsor, Canada.

The history of Champion Paper's award winning "Imagination" series will be the subject of a slide presentation at the Rochester Advertiser's Monthly Meeting on Nov. 12.

Herbert W. Schnetsky and Arch McClure of Champion Papers, Detroit, Mich., will make the presentation.

The presentation is intended to provide innovative application of paper products in the graphic field. This year's "Imagination 18, Hong Kong" will be available to the attendees of the meeting.

Rochester Advertiser is composed of individuals in the advertising, public relations and graphic arts fields. The meeting will be at noon, at Eddie's Chop House. Guests are welcome.

Business In The Diocese

Ronald J. DeVito has been promoted to Senior Programmer in the Data Processing Section of Rochester Products Division of General Motors Corp.

A graduate of Hobart College, he is a member of St. Mary Magdalene Church, Wolcott, and is an adviser for Psi Triton Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa at Hobart College. DeVito and his wife, the former Diane Fitzmaurice and their two children live in Wolcott.

Joseph F. Hafner, formerly assistant treasurer of Champion Products Inc., has established the Commercial Services Company of Western New York, a record keeping, tax and full bookkeeping service for small and medium-sized businesses and professionals. The office is located at 640 Kreag Rd., Pittsford.

Hafner is a graduate of St. John Fisher College with a major in Accounting and has obtained a Masters Degree in Business Administration from the

ON THE RIGHT SIDE

"Man Proposes, but God disposes." Last March the Altar and Rosary Society of Rush invited me to talk with them about the Scriptural Rosary, and they invited some members from Honeoye Falls. Sister Roberta had sent some booklets to the chairwoman, Mrs. Pettis, and the group was interested. After the meeting, Mrs. Mildred Diegnan of Honeoye Falls asked: "Would you come to our meeting in October?" "Of course. Any time that Our Lady will be loved through the rosary I want to be there." The date was set for Thursday, Oct. 17.

Now, I follow a kind of pattern. 1) Provide the Scriptural Rosary books, with the mysteries, and the bible verse before each Hail Mary, so each person has a book to follow. (They think it is a gift until I explain they can buy a copy after the meeting if they wish to.) 2) Explain the method of the Scriptural rosary, with the intertwining of the Bible verses. 3) Then we recite the rosary together. I know one young matron who quickly memorized all the 150 bible verses, and recites the Scriptural passages without the aid of the book.

Efficiency would have said a month before: "Be sure you have the Scriptural Rosary books ready to bring with you." But not everyone is efficient. Two days before the meeting I went to Mt. Carmel Studio and Trant's, Rochester. Both were out of the book. Al Walz at Trant's said: "Father Trott was in just an hour ago, and took all we had." An hour later, Father Heisel phoned inviting me to supper on the feast of their patron, St. Margaret Mary, saying: "I'm going to a meeting at Notre Dame, Canandaigua, this afternoon, and will be back by 5:00 p.m." I said, "Will you check with Notre Dame to see if they have the Scriptural Rosary books? If they do, bring me back 50 copies." But they didn't have them.

Then on with the pursuit by phone. First to the Cenacle. The girl who answered the phone said: "The Sisters are out, but I will ask them when they return." A few hours later, the call came back: "Sorry, we don't have any." Then I phoned St. Joseph's Redemptorist Church, which has since burned down. The girl there checked: "Sorry, we don't have any." Then Sibley's I don't know who answers the phone for General Information, but she is a

prize. She has the perfect telephone voice which communicates graciousness and helpfulness and efficiency. She got in touch with the book department. But another blank. Then to Scrantom's. Another blank.

Thought I: "Maybe Father Trott would let me take his for Thursday." Phoned St. Bernard's. His secretary, Legionaire Lucille Kunz said: "Father has class now, and a meeting right afterward." "Well, will you catch him in between and ask him if he would lend me his Scriptural Rosary books for Thursday?" She did, but he was using them that very evening. "Let's see. What parishes in the city have good book and pamphlet racks? (I was impressed by the racks in large churches in Ireland, especially in Killarney. It is a mystery to me that this means of education is not more greatly used in our own diocese.) St. Augustine's had a good one under Msgr. Duffy, and Fathers Regan and Mattie. Let's give a ring." Mrs. Lynch, mother of Father John Lynch of East Rochester is secretary. God knows she was gracious, and even went across the road to the vestibule to see if there were any there. But another blank. And the same from secretary Eileen Sugrow at the Little French Church.

Well, if that's the way Providence wanted it, Amen. I cheerfully went to Honeoye Falls for supper with Pastor Michael Hogan. Housekeeper Anna McGill had heard of my weakness for victuals, and pandered to it gloriously. The meeting itself? Ten minutes of Bishop Sheen's tapes, to introduce them. An explanation of the Scriptural rosary, and a decade recited. An explanation of the Rosary Novena, with the meditations. An explanation of the Pius X method of saying the rosary. And a distribution of a folder about the Sheen tapes.

When I was at Lackland Air Base I served under a tough, brilliant Jesuit named Father John Long. He used to say: "Think big!" so the next day I phoned the Rosary Center in Chicago. "Please send me 500 copies of the Scriptural Rosary book." And the books are now available in bulk, by phoning, or writing to me at: Holy Trinity Church, Webster, New York 14580. If people love Our Lady, they should Think Big!

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