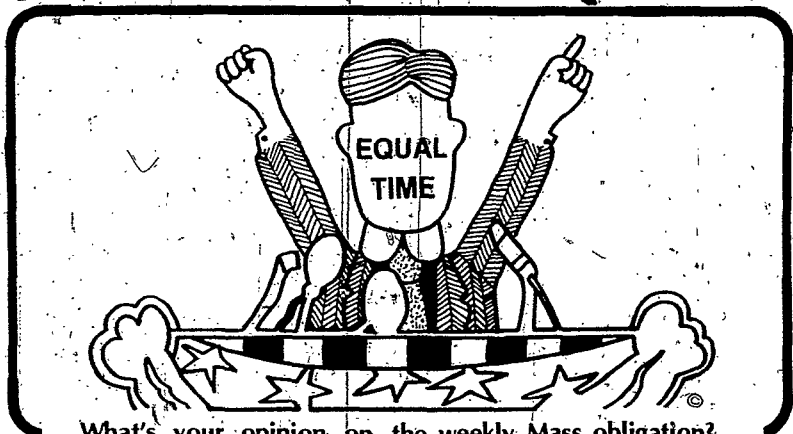


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What's your opinion on the weekly Mass obligation?

### CARDINAL MOONEY

**Meg Tydings**, junior, girl's field hockey team  
 "Going to Mass should be mandatory, it gives the church authority. Some people go because they have to, and I think this compulsory attendance at church is a good idea. Kids say they don't want to go, but they do... it gives them something to believe in."

**Pat Mulholland**, freshman, football team  
 "I don't mind going to Mass. I don't feel it should be obligatory. If someone is old enough to make their own decisions they'll make up their own minds whether to go or not."

**Joe Tobin**, senior, tennis team  
 "I feel the obligatory rule as it stands in effect won't bolster anyone's faith, but as a standard it seems to fulfill the obligation to the church as to fulfilling the third commandment. As an obligatory rule it rejuvenates a person's faith. I feel it is a good basis for faith."

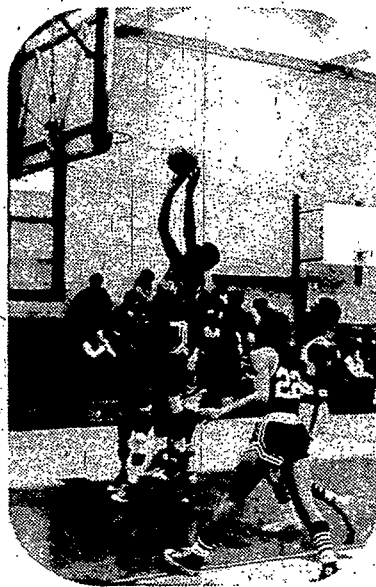
**Bruce Brooks**, junior, track team  
 "When something is mandatory it becomes a duty religion shouldn't become a duty. If you don't want religion in your life, faith and love in God aren't going to be there unless you want it. Religion has to come from the soul and heart."

**Tony Juliano**, sophomore, football team  
 "It is up to the person and his religion how he feels about whether or not he's obligated. If his religion is strong enough that he feels he should go every week it is up to him. Other people, I feel, if they want to go they could — it is more or less up to the person."

**Tim McGee**, sophomore  
 "I do not feel Mass should be mandatory. It is only a personal obligation of the individual. I feel whether it is mandatory or not, the person will go to church if he wishes, and if not, he won't go."

**Terry Pierce**, sophomore, homeroom representative  
 "I don't agree with the mandatory rule. It is up to the individual, but it is a way of showing thankfulness. Worshipping God on Saturday evenings or Sundays kind of brings people together, and is a way to show their love of God. It is a way of praising God and showing thankfulness."

**Debbie Ange**, sophomore  
 "I believe everyone has an (individual) obligation to worship God on a Saturday or Sunday, but I'm not in agreement with the mandatory rule. Mass attendance. It is up to the individual. The Church maintains its authority through its mandatory church rule."



## Irish Jaycees Defeated

**Fred Barton**, Number 11, of the Aquinas junior varsity goes up for shot against Monroe High in a City-Catholic League jayvee game last week at Monroe. Monroe defeated the Little Irish, 68-61.

## Notre Dame Lists Regent Scholarships

Students from Notre Dame who were awarded State Regents Scholarships are Constantine, Don; Douglas, Martin; Droleski, Cindy; Gawronski, Carolanne; Hughes, James; Lagonegro, Ann; Mathew, Michael; Riordan, Sara; Sheehan, Kathleen; Simon, Steven; Smith, Matthew; Sorgenfrei, Anne; Spallone, Salvatore; Warakowski, Francis; Watts, Michael.

Alternates — Brunozzi, Susan; Caroscio, Victor; DeMott, Paul; Flory, Mark; Frailey, Dan; Hain, AnneMarie; Healy, Patricia; Hulme, James; Pusey, Rosemary; White, Kathleen.

Nursing Winner — Williams, Maureen.

Nursing Alternates — Fessenden, Mary Ann; Walsh, Dennis; Whyte, Kathleen.

## ND Competes On Quiz Show

Notre Dame High School's academic team which included Mike Mathew, Mike Watts, and Vic Caroscio competed with members from Union Springs and McGraw high schools in a radio station quiz show held in Syracuse on Jan. 20.

This intellectual competition is conducted by station WNYC of Syracuse, and is an annual event. The Notre Dame team placed second in the contest.

### REGENTS WINNERS

**Naples** — The following students from St. Januarius Parish were awarded State Regents Scholarships:

Bodine, Deborah; Fox, Fred; Harwood, Ann; Sage, John; Sarkis, Gina; Walker, Graham.

### EAST HIGH SHOW

The East High School Thespians will present *Arsenic and Old Lace* at 8 p.m., Jan. 30 and 31 at the East High Auditorium.



By ELAINE PEKAR Senior, Notre Dame

We know that there is no part of growing up that is more confusing than the problem of drinking. It is something that has long been a subject for all kinds of superstitious beliefs, emotional opinions, and downright ignorance.

Alcohol as a youth problem is being taught on the high school level. Education of this nature is a necessity in the classroom, and can only lead to an honest evaluation of the problem.

In class, we learn that alcohol addiction ranks as the biggest drug-abuse problem in the United States. Drinking is related to juvenile delinquency and crime. If you have a job, remember that alcohol makes for irresponsible and unreliable workers.

Whether it be peer pressures, family troubles, or bad environmental conditions, the reasons for drinking are varied.

Not only is this an individual problem. All of society is affected when alcohol is abused. Innocent people are hurt when drunks on the road become traffic hazards.

There is nothing necessarily destructive in the younger generation's observing that alcohol can relax certain tensions and improve a parent's mood. The moderate use of wine was acceptable even in biblical days, and was regarded as a gift of God to be used wisely and well. If, however, they get the impression that this is the only way to achieve gaiety or ease weariness and depression, they are absorbing some unfortunate ideas about alcohol and the trials of grown-up life.

On the basis of fact, not fallacy; science, not superstition; and on the basis of your own good sense and goodwill toward others make a personal commitment to healthier thinking.



### AQUINAS

Saturday, Feb. 1—Parents' Annual Dinner Dance, Golden Anniversary Ball, Logan's Party House. Cocktails, 6:30 p.m.; dinner, 7:30 p.m. Dancing until 1, \$10 per person.

Tuesday, Feb. 4—Diet Workshop, 7:30 p.m. - cafeteria, (held every Tuesday evening).

### BISHOP KEARNEY

Jan. 30-31, Feb. 1-2—Parents' Clubs presentation of SHOWTIME '75; evening performances, 8 p.m., Sunday matinee - 2:30 p.m.

### CARDINAL MOONEY

Feb. 3-6—Sophomore party; Tuesday, Feb. 4, Music Day - performances by Mooney Band, Chorus, and Ensembles; Brass and Woodwind Quintets from Eastman School of Music will perform. Performances from 8:45 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 5—Monthly Men's Guild dinner meeting; cocktails 6 p.m., dinner 7 p.m.

### NAZARETH

Thursday, Jan. 30—Acceptance letters mailed to incoming freshmen. Friday, Jan. 31—Student Council Assembly regarding teacher-student role.

Jan. 31-Feb. 1—Students participate in All-County Senior High Music Festival at Pittsford-Mendon High School.

Feb. 3-14—Guidance Counselors visit junior highs to personalize placement of next year's freshmen.

### NOTRE DAME

Friday, Jan. 31—Semester Holiday. Tuesday, Feb. 4—Reports mailed; Faculty Advisory Board meeting.

### OUR LADY OF MERCY

Sunday, Feb. 2—Family Mass and Pancake breakfast Masses at 9 a.m. and 10:15, breakfast served from 9:30 to noon, \$1.50 per person; children under 5, free.

### ST. AGNES

Wednesday, Jan. 31—Second semester begins. Thursday, Jan. 30—Letters of acceptance mailed to incoming freshmen. Sunday, Feb. 2—Heart Association program 9:30 to 3 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 3—Student Senate Assembly. Tuesday, Feb. 4—Monroe County Nurse's meeting. Wednesday, Feb. 5—Faculty Meeting.

## HOTLINE

It is the aim of RapAround to touch all of the bases. If we are missing any, please let Mrs. Joan M. Smith know your ideas. Drop her a line.

For instance, are the questions in Equal Time interesting enough? Are we truly reflecting life in our high schools? Do you have ideas for stories at your school that we may follow up?

We need suggestions and invite criticism. From all indications, RapAround has gotten off to a successful start. We are pleased but need your help to keep it improving.

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- CARDINAL MOONEY ..... Jim Redmond — Senior
- DESALES ..... Thomas Marino — Junior
- MCQUAID ..... Larry Conley — Senior
- NAZARETH ..... Pat Hartleben — Junior
- NOTRE DAME ..... Victor Coroscio — Senior
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