

COURIER-JOURNAL

St. John's, Spencerport — The Family Man, a comedy, on stage at 8 p.m. this Friday and Saturday, March 7, 8, school hall, Martha Street; tickets \$2, through Chris Luchsinger, 352-0457, at school office or at door. Sponsored by Christian Women's Club.

St. Cecilia's, Elmira — Jitney supper, 6-8 p.m. Saturday, March 8, church hall, 954 Lake.

Holy Family, Rochester — Rosary Society tureen supper, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 12, followed by rosary recitation, nomination of officers; reservations by March 10 with Mrs. Raymond Seegler, 328-2186, or Mrs. Earl Sitter, 436-7668.

Queen of Peace — Annual dinner dance, Friday, March 14, Oak Hill Country Club, with Len Hawley's orchestra; Mr. and Mrs. Pat Gaffney of Branch Avenue in charge, reservations required.

Annunciation — Two-part presentation on the Mass by Sister Margaret Mary Mattie, liturgy coordinator, 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 5, and 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 12; free baby sitting service.

St. Stanislaus — Holy Name of Mary Society communion breakfast, following 8:30 a.m. Mass Sunday, March 16; Mrs. Josephine Kamaš, Mrs. Florencie Mrzywka in charge.

Nativity — St. Patrick's Day dance, Saturday, March 15, Bolger Hall, Brockport; music by Eileen and Her Escorts 9 p.m.-1 a.m.; refreshments. \$6 per couple. Sponsored by Mothers Club.

St. Philip Neri — All Italian Mass, 4 p.m. Sunday, March 9.

St. Thomas the Apostle — Life Issues series, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, March 9; William Polito, Pat Amato, on legal aspects of the abortion situation.

St. Christopher Area — World Day of Prayer service, 10 a.m. Friday, March 7, Elmgrove United Methodist Church, 1500 Spencerport Road; refreshments, child care service.

Our Lady of Mercy — St. Patrick's Day dance in parish hall, sponsored by Rosarians; buffet at 8:30, music by the J-Men, 9:30 p.m.-1:30 a.m. \$3.50 per person.

St. Thomas More — St. Patrick's Day dinner, entertainment, 6:30 p.m. Sunday, March 16, school gymnasium; admission \$2, with dish to pass, or \$3.50 without. Reservations may be made with

Kathy Mooney, 442-0153.

St. Pius X — Irish Night March 15, school gymnasium, Chili Ave., featuring Dublin singer Joe Cahill, step dancing by parish children, buffet supper, The Notables playing for dancing from 9:30 p.m.; Mr. and Mrs. George Riley in charge. \$5 per person.

Good Shepherd — "Shepherds' Frocks" fashion show with parish women as models, 8:15 p.m. March 14, sponsored by Rosary Altar Society.

Project Compassion — A Lenten series on positive approaches to caring, sorrowing, death. March 10, Good Grief, Pastor Vernon Squire, Lutheran Intermission Society; Chaplain Gerald Wunrow of Monroe County Community Hospital; March 17, Creative Listening, Sister Gratia, Pastoral Center. Sessions begin 10 a.m. at Resurrection Lutheran Church, 3736 St. Paul Blvd. Babysitting available, 50 cents.

Lenten Series — What Spirituality Means to Me. Bishop Robert R. Sprears Jr. of Episcopal Diocese, March 6; Roger D'Aprix of Cursillo Movement, March 13; Rev. Jasper G. Pennington of Church of the Ascension, March 20. All sessions begin at 12:15 p.m. at Church of the Ascension, Lake Avenue at Riverside.

First Friday Club — Mass, lunch, 11:45 a.m. March 7, K of C club, 513 Monroe Ave.; Father Frederic L. Walz celebrant and speaker; newcomers may make reservations through 244-4340.

Catholic Mission Guild — Monthly meeting, 1 p.m. Wednesday, March 12 at 513 Monroe Ave.

Southwest Golden Age Group — Irish party, 1:30 p.m. Friday, March 7, at 34 Monica St.

Italian Women's Civic Club — Meeting 8 p.m. Tuesday, March 11, Americana (Flagship), 70 State St., speaker, Sally Ward of Rape Crisis Center.

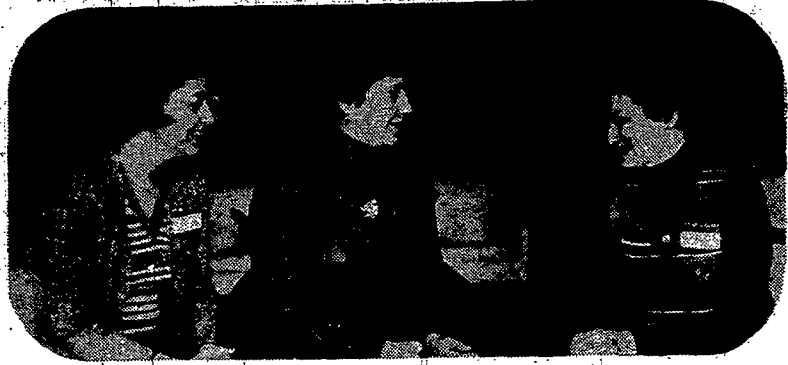
YWCA Sale — Next-to-new, 175 N. Clinton, 9-5 Wednesday, March 12.

Justice Forum — First Presbyterian Church, 101 S. Plymouth, 12:15-1:15 p.m. today.

Mercy High School — Hello, Dolly! 8 p.m. March 14, 15. All seats reserved; tickets \$2 and \$2.50, through 288-7100.

Deadline

Calendar items should be mailed to the Courier-Journal Calendar Desk, 67 Chestnut St., Rochester, N.Y. 14604. Deadline is Wednesday noon, one week ahead of the publication date.



Seton Fashion Show

Seton members preparing a luncheon fashion show to raise money for St. Mary's Hospital include, from the left, Mrs. Robert Monahan, who will be a model, Mrs. Warren Urlaub, general chairman, and Mrs. Robert Bauer. The fifth annual show, one of three major Seton events, will begin with an 11 a.m. social hour Wednesday, March 12, at the Americana. It will feature clothes from Sibley's. Reservations may be made with Mrs. Hugh Higgins, 473-2393, or Mrs. John Foley, 244-0866.

News from Hornell

PARISH COUNCIL COMMITTEE

Naples — The following members are now serving on the Human Development committee for St. Januarius Parish Council: Mr. and Mrs. George Heisel, chairmen; Lois Vierhile, temporary chairman; Mr. and Mrs. Al Blum, Mrs. Burton Eckhardt, Mrs. Ronald Johnson, Mrs. Thomas Kelly, Mrs. Bill Musnicki, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Pimm, Mrs. Richard Riesenberger, and Mrs. E. Seager. There will be an organizational and instructional meeting for the committee on Monday, March 10 at 8 p.m.

Sister Alice McLaughlin of the Office of Human Development will be present to tell of the activities of the Human Development Committees and to help in organizing St. Januarius' committee. Any parishioners interested in helping are invited to attend.

ST. ANN'S NOTES

Hornell — Registration for St. Ann's School will be held on March 10 and 11 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and 7 to 8 p.m. Also at St. Ann's, the Men's Retreat League will sponsor a Communion Breakfast for all men of the parish on Sunday, Mar. 9 after the 8 a.m. Mass. The Mass will be offered for past members of the league. The breakfast, in the annex, will be a simple Continental fare, juice, pastry and coffee.

DAY OF PRAYER

Naples — The women from all the churches in Naples will hold their World Day of Prayer as an ecumenical service, Friday, March 7, at St. Januarius Church. Mrs. Rita Riesenberger will be in charge. The time is 8 p.m.

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THE OPEN WINDOW



Dear Father Hohman,
I know that by the time this would get in the paper we would be nearly finished with Lent but I'll ask anyway. How come Lent is forty days? Is it because Jesus fasted forty days and forty nights in the desert? And another thing - isn't it medically impossible for him to go without anything to drink [at least] for that long a time unless he was using his divinity to keep alive? And if he was using his divinity to keep alive, what good was the whole thing?

Thank you,
P.O.C.

Dear P.O.C.

Most of your questions are answered by the fact that the number forty should not be taken as a literal number but rather as a symbolic one (of which the Hebrews were very fond). Forty is a symbol of a time of preparation for something very important. For Jesus the time was a preparation for the work of his public life. For the Jews the forty years in the desert was a time of preparation for their entry into the promised land. For us, the forty days of Lent is a time of preparation for the renewal of our baptismal vows at Easter, and hence the renewal of our spiritual life. We are preparing for our participation in the resurrection of Jesus - newness of life beginning now and extending into eternity.

So Lent should not be passed over lightly. It might be our all-important opportunity both for now and for eternity.

Dear Readers,

Shortly after the issue of Feb. 12 came in the mail, I received a

telephone call relating to the question I tried to answer in that issue. It had to do with the possibility of preferential treatment in the acceptance of students in Catholic high schools on the basis of coming from more affluent families or from parochial grade schools.

My answer indicated that these were unsubstantiated rumors. The woman who called described enthusiastically how her two children, who had been educated in public elementary schools, were not only accepted in a Catholic high school, but were given partial scholarships in successive years. She had nothing but praise for the particular high school her children attended and could not understand how such a rumor could ever get started. Good news is always fun to print. My thanks to the kind and enthusiastic caller.

SEXUALITY TOPIC

Auburn — Dr. Arthur Florack, a Catholic gynecologist and his wife, Eleanor, a registered nurse, will teach a unit on human sexuality for teens in grades 9 thru 12 and young adults Sunday, March 9, from 6 to 9 p.m. in Blessed Trinity School cafeteria. Dr. Florack will show a film strip and discuss the anatomy and physiology of sex; there will also be a film on abortion and one on life in the uterus. As a couple, the Floracks will stress the beauty of sex in marriage and the reasons for waiting for marriage. Ample time will be allowed for questions and answers. The program is sponsored by St. Alphonsus Youth Committee.

FAMILY EDUCATION

Rexville — Father Otto, Vogt, pastor of St. Mary's reminds parishioners that St. Mary's Family Religious Education begins Mar. 16 after the 9 a.m. Mass. "All families are invited to share this special program."

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DYP Seen Growing In Dansville

By PEG PEASE
Hornell Area Correspondent
324-3353

Dansville — Dansville Youth Power (DYP) is steadily growing in this community. Meeting rooms in St. Mary's annex display artistic wall drawings done by various youths. There are three pinball machines and chess and checkers boards as well as decks of cards which get a lot of use in the many "Pitch" games played.

The age of membership for any young person of the town is 13 to 18 years old. Andrew Sauerbier has offered to buy the supplies needed to build a ping pong table and Gerald McInery will supervise the construction. In a short time the DYP room also will have an air hockey game to add to the recreation. The facility will soon offer potato chips, pretzels, and hot chocolate. The pop machine has already been installed.

Plans are already completed for two dances scheduled to help finance this group. These dances will be held on March 8 and April 5 with the popular band "Falstaff" providing the music. Students who have a membership card to the DYP Group will get a discount to the dances and other activities.

The rooms are open and chaperoned Friday from 7 to 10 p.m., Saturday, from 7 to 10 p.m. and Sunday, from 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. In the spring and summer months the DYP committee hopes to have various field trips for its members.

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