

Bishop to Lead Rome Pilgrimage

Bishop Joseph L. Hogan will lead a group of Rochester diocesans on a Holy Year pilgrimage to Rome, a pilgrimage which will include witnessing the canonization of Elizabeth Bailey Seton to sainthood.

Elizabeth Seton founded the order which staffs St. Mary's Hospital in Rochester — the Daughters of Charity.

In modern times, a Holy Year has been celebrated every 25 years, as a special opportunity for the renewal of Christian life.

The pilgrims will fly from

Kennedy Airport on an Alitalia 747 to Rome on Sept. 9, and return Sept. 17.

All accommodations at the Hotel Michelangelo, a 10 minute walk from the Vatican, are rated superior deluxe. Pilgrims will have an opportunity to tour the Eternal City, including the four major basilicas which have been indulged by Pope Paul this year.

Also included in the pilgrimage is a visit to the catacombs where early Christians worshipped and were buried.

There are several free days in



Bishop Hogan stands above St. Peter's on a recent visit.

Trio In School Benefit

Rio Clemente, Jackie Williams and Al Bruno, who earn their living as a jazz trio in local night spots, will put on a concert at St. Monica's June 8 as a gift to the parish school fund.

They want to help keep the school open, according to Beverly Zimmerman of the Concerned Parents Group, and they also want to thank Fathers Edward Zimmer and Ronald Stacy, and the many Sisters who have made them feel welcome in the parish and in the city.

Clemente, a pianist and composer of the Mass of Love and Peace, has performed twice at Mass with the St. Monica folk group. Williams is a drummer and Bruno plays string bass. They are appearing at the Rowntowner's Monticello Room through June 14.

Their concert June 8 will begin at 8 p.m., in the church on Genesee Street. Tickets are available at the Parish Center, 34 Monica St., at \$3 for the general public, \$1.50 for senior citizens.

the tour, during which visitors may take in Florence, Capri, the Tivoli Gardens and Rome's superior cuisine.

Joining Bishop Hogan on the pilgrimage are Father Michael Conboy, his secretary, Louis Hohman, pastor of St. Vincent De Paul, Churchville; Joseph

Reinhart, diocesan director of the Propagation of the Faith; and John Rosse, chaplain at St. Mary's Hospital.

The tour also includes an optional visit to Assisi, the birthplace of St. Francis, and optional dining accommodations.

The basic price includes the cost of the hotel, breakfast daily, all transportation, including transfers, from Rochester to Rome and back. A few openings

remain on the Rochester pilgrimage.

Further details are on Page 2 of this week's paper.

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THE OPEN WINDOW



Fr. Louis Hohman

Dear Father Hohman,

Sometimes the "Open Window" blows in a storm, other times just a draft; I'll call this the latter.

I can't let your column of March 26 go by without comment. First let me say I have no personal hangup about whether Communion is received in the hand or on the tongue. The prime concern should be reverence and respect for the Holy Eucharist, which can be shown in either case. My purpose in writing is to focus attention upon the question of obedience to lawful authority.

A cursory reading of your March 26 column strongly gives the impression that you condone disobedience to some laws or rules as long as they are minor. This was certainly the impression I received and was the same conclusion reached by others asked to read it. Upon reading it carefully, I found in the first paragraph, "I am not giving approval to disobedience..."; however the rest of the column strongly suggests that we can pick and choose, closing our eyes to minor rules. If Father Cuddy went too far to the "right", you went too far to the "left." A quick reading of your words gave the same impression... it gives people without much theological training or education the impression that all regulations of the Church have the same standing and importance, which their common sense tells them is ridiculous. Many could read into this the premise that most Church laws are relative and can be interpreted according to one's own needs or "common sense." I am sure you did not mean this particular interpretation of your words! I am sure that you agree that all Church laws or rules are important whether they are of major or minor significance. One sure way to lose respect for major

laws or rules is to start disregarding the minor rules whether it be Church, civil, school, etc. [The writer goes on to tell how difficult it is to explain these nuances to children and how easy it would be to misunderstand my column].

PEACE! ... and keep the window open no matter what blows in!

Sincerely,
J.M.F.

Dear J.M.F.

You and I don't disagree all that much. Obedience is an important virtue. The obedience of Jesus was the cause of his being raised up by the Father (Phil 2). What I tried to do was point out that some laws are more important than others. Telling a small lie is not in the same league with murder or adultery. The importance of obedience to each of these laws is a separate matter. I think that when you say that I agree that "all Church laws or rules are important whether they are of major or minor significance," that is what you mean. Am I correct in so saying?

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