



Bishop James E. Kearney last year entertained Robbie Welch and Betsy McCormick at the Sisters' Festival.

Sisters Plan Fete

The Sisters of St. Joseph will hold their 27th annual Fall Festival on Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 6 and 7 from 2 p.m. until 9 p.m. on the Motherhouse grounds, 4095 East Ave., Pittsford.

Highlights of Festival include a buffet dinner from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. both days. The dinner is prepared and served by the Sisters. Tickets may be purchased at the door.

Simultaneously, food booths, children's games, sale items — handcrafts, art objects, plants and

gift ideas will be available. All booths are operated by the Sisters and the parishes to which they belong.

Proceeds from the festival provide financial support for more than 100 retired Sisters.

This year's festival is chaired by Sister Ann Collins, general chairman and Sister Mary Clouser, dinner chairman. More than 500 Sisters participate in the workings of the day and the retired Sisters are in charge of praying for good weather.



RTL Speaker

Sen. James L. Buckley will keynote the New York State Right to Life Convention at the Holiday Inn Downtown Sept. 26-28. Sen. Buckley's address is slated for Saturday, Sept. 27, at 9:30 a.m. He is a co-sponsor of a Human Life Amendment to the Constitution which is pending in the Subjudiciary Committee. Other speakers at the gathering include Dr. Mildred Jefferson, Constitutional Law Professor Robert Byrn, and Buffalo priest Father John Aurelio.

FIRST FRIDAY

The First Friday Luncheon Club will meet Friday, Sept. 5 at the Knights of Columbus Clubrooms on Monroe Ave. Mass will be celebrated at 11:45 a.m. by Father Paul J. Cuddy, and a luncheon will follow. The program is under the joint sponsorship of the Rochester K of C and the Daily Mass League to promote greater respect and devotion to the Sacred Heart.

RESIDENT

Dryden — Father Roger Downing, a recently ordained Jesuit priest who is working for his doctorate at Cornell University, will live in residence at Holy Cross Church. Father Downing, formerly of Colorado Springs, Colo., has, for the past nine years, been studying in Japan.

Natural Family Planning To Be Topic of Classes

Special classes to train teachers in modern techniques of Natural Family Planning have been scheduled beginning Sept. 19, it was announced by Robert Collins, director of the Family Life Office.

"Mr. and Mrs. Richard (Mary Beth) O'Hara will act as coordinating couple for the program," Father Collins reported. "The art of Natural Family Planning is becoming widely practiced by married couples all over the world," according to Father Collins.

"Because natural approaches are often a confrontation to advocates of pharmaceutical methods of family planning, natural approaches are not understood or promoted as they should be," he said.

One local teaching couple reports that after 11 years of successful personal use and teaching, they are convinced of the challenge and effectiveness of natural approaches in marriage building. "We say, 'marriage building' because that is what the apostolate is all about," Father Collins said. "The covenant entered into on a couple's wedding day is a promise to faithfulness and loving support for a lifetime."

One of the elements in building a meaningful marriage, according to the couples involved, includes successful, conscious family planning — a value emphasized in "Humanae Vitae."

The call of "Humanae Vitae" is to all couples to share and help one another in the community of Christian families.

Effective groups of Natural Family Planning couples have sprung up all over the world, many times without support of either clergy or physicians, although some clergy and physicians have given personal and professional support to couples working with couples, according to Father Collins.

Rochester has had a small nucleus of couples teaching NFP for about two years; couples who have made a commitment to share their marriages (as Pope Paul asks in "Humanae Vitae.") These Rochester couples have been inundated with calls and letters asking for help in learning natural approaches to Family Planning, they report.

The couples involved believe Natural Family Planning's time has come. It is effective, they say. It has proponents in every serious scientific arena and many couples have committed themselves to teaching it. Advice from practicing physicians and clergymen in most cases has not included referral to Natural

Family Planning couples, perhaps because they do not know how, or believe the couples teach calendar rhythm. Natural Family Planning couples do not promote calendar rhythm. Natural Family Planning presents modern information which relies on personal observations and interpretations of the fertility cycle.

Natural Family Planning of Rochester offers instruction in natural approaches to Family Planning on a continual basis.

This is done either on a couple to couple basis or in small groups.

Starting in September, there will be a four-part training course for couples who are using Natural Family Planning of any kind, and who feel they would like to share in a vital, modern movement of married couples by teaching other couples.

Anyone interested should contact the Office of Family Life, 50 Chestnut St., Rochester, 14604 or call Father Robert Collins at 546-3630 for further information.

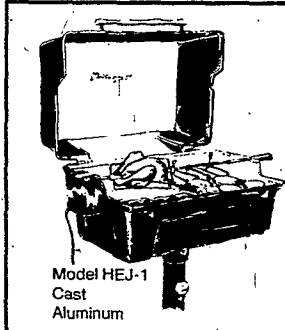
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