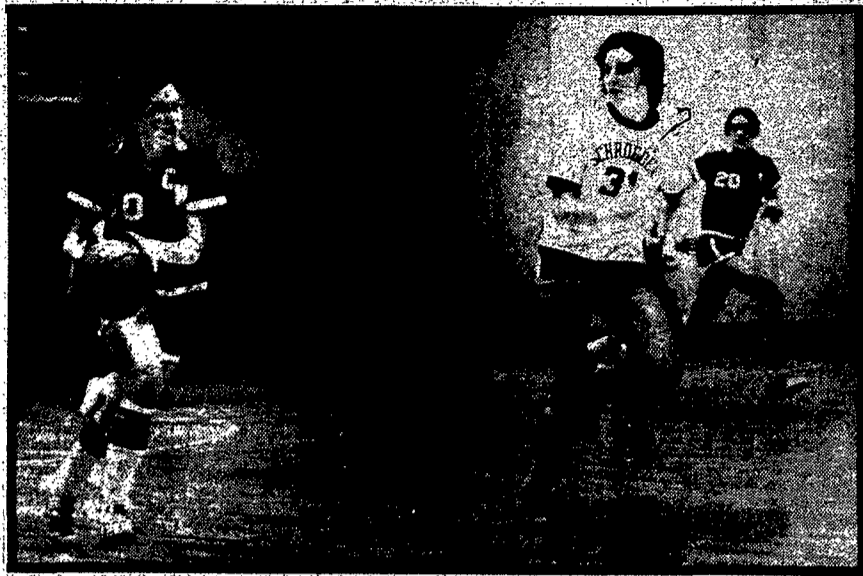


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Plenty of Action on the Courts

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Cardinal Mooney's Mary Jo Mitchell moves the action down court under the watchful eye of Webster Schroeder's Jamie Denton (31) photo above. Mooney coach Marcia Niebch, at center in photo below, discusses play with her team.



Schroeder's Kathy Markwitz (50) beats out Mooney's Lynn Kirchmeier (22) photo above. Cardinal Mooney was eliminated from section five action by Schroeder's 43-27 victory March 25.



Eileen Smith (13) top photo, puts a temporary hold on Section Five action March 23. Mercy's Mary Kay Allen (14) photo below, finds the ball just out of reach as Franklin regains control. Franklin beat Mercy 77-39.



Photos by Susan McKinney



ALL IN THE FAMILY



Sarah Child

There are harbingers of spring. And then there are harbingers of spring.

Some people think that the worst of winter is behind us when they spot the great undulating Vs of Canada geese winging their way back north. I am not sure. I stood on the front stoop last night to watch and listen to the honking of a large flock but there have been times when I've watched them turn tail in the skies and head back South again or at least change course in mid flight.

Others watch for the sight of red buds on certain varieties of the maples and some others wait to glimpse a robin checking out the worm situation in the soggy yards.

I have my own personal yardstick when it comes to measuring the chance of continued fair weather.

Last week I got the sign. The big red trucks with our town's name printed on the door stopped at every fire hydrant pulling out the tall yellow stakes they had put in last October to assure their being able to find water in case of a fire with six feet of snow on the ground.

This particular portent may not be as poetic as nature's signals but possibly a little more reliable. After spotting the trucks I went out to our own backyard and was further assured of a new season beginning by the state of things there.

Pulling away the trellis I had made of some scrap lumber (the head of the house says I mustn't be so cheap and to go buy one that will work this year) I found the clematis — both the white and the purple — had tiny green leaves at the bottom of the vine.

Out on the ridge that separates our yard from the tiny patch of woods the lilac Gram sent home with me has begun to bush out with the tiny shoots all in bud.

The strawberries we put in last spring were still covered with snow but I am already envisioning jars and jars of homemade jam. I have not made any in several years and even if we didn't like eating it, the smell from the large kettle bubbling gently on the stove would be sufficient reason to go through the work.

All the trees look fine with the exception of one of the four Austrian pines I put in last year. It is brownish and I don't hold up much hope although one side of it looks fairly green.

The garden plot itself is muddy and sunken and we have vowed to do right by it this year with added nutrients and possibly a load of top soil.

Each year we expand the number of tomato plants we put in and last night while putting together a tossed green salad with the cardboard tomatoes one buys in the store this time of year I kept conjuring up images of the half-pound, juicy beauties that anybody can grow with very little trouble.

Nearer to the house the arc of honeysuckle is a mass of tightly rolled little buds and the mother hen and chickens a neighbor gave me is already beginning to grow.

It is hard to heed the experts' advice not to touch the ground until it is dry. Maybe to get a little practice in I'll start by repotting all the houseplants. And in a month or so the garden and I will be ready for each other.

AMERICAN REVOLUTION BICENTENNIAL 1776-1976

Your Heritage

March 30, 1884. The University of Notre Dame awards its Laetare Medal to architect Patrick C. Keely. Patrick Charles Keely was born in Ireland around 1820, the son of an architect who introduced him to that profession. He came to the United States around 1841, settled in Brooklyn, and began to design buildings, the first of them being the Church of St. Peter and Paul in Brooklyn. From that time on, he became noted as a church designer, drawing plans, it is said, for as many as 700 American churches, and other buildings as well, mostly for Catholic use. Some twenty of his churches were Catholic cathedrals, ranging from Nova Scotia, to Illinois, these included the present cathedral churches of Burlington, Boston, Providence, Albany, Buffalo (the Old Cathedral), Erie, and Chicago. Keely was not so able a Gothic Revival architect as Upjohn and Renwick, but his buildings still reflect the dignified piety of a century ago. His was a unique career. He died in 1896. — Rochester Diocesan Bicentennial Commission.

DAFFODIL SALE

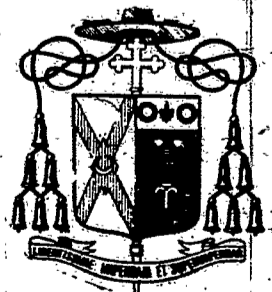
The annual daffodil sale to benefit the American Cancer Society will be April 14 this year.



Spring Sale

Toyland? Kids' paradise? No, garage sale — this weekend at Aquinas Institute. Four Loewenguth boys pose among priceless treasures that go on sale at 9 a.m. Saturday, April 3. That's Tom with the skis, David holding a golf bag, Eric on an exercise bike and Mark in a telephone booth. Pick up of donations can be arranged by calling their parents, Joan and Dick Loewenguth, at 458-4366; Gloria and Bob Walther, 426-2278, or the school, 254-2020. The sale will continue until 4 p.m. Saturday and resume Sunday, 11 a.m. until 4 p.m., with a bake sale during the same hours.

Diocesan Appointments



Father William J. Gordinier to pastor, St. Patrick's, Cato, and St. Thomas, Red Creek; from co-pastor, St. Joseph's, Penfield.

Father Paul R. Schnacky to associate pastor, St. Philip Neri, Rochester, from pastor, St. Patrick's Cato, and St. Thomas, Red Creek.