

COURIER-CALENDAR

Sacred Heart Cathedral — Annual parish picnic, 1-6 p.m. Sunday, June 6, Seneca Park, pavilion 2.

Seton 80 — Meeting tonight at 8:30 with Mrs. Raymond Bopp of Marilyn Parkway.

Bishop Kearney Mothers Club — Installation banquet, 6:30 p.m. Thursday, June 3, Royal Scot, 657 E. Ridge Rd.

Make Today Count — Group sponsored by Monroe County Cancer and Leukemia Association meeting at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 25, Mohr Developmental Center. Information: 473-6230.

A Day with Mary — Blue Army presents Joey Lomangino, Father Edward Shamon in program at Geneva Theatre, 82 Seneca St., Geneva, 11 p.m. Sunday, May 23.

Mark Twain Tonight! — Hal Holbrook at Eastman Theatre, 7 p.m. Sunday, May 23; tickets from Original Performances, 270 Midtown Plaza.

1776 — Broadway musical performed by Continental Theatre Company, 8 p.m. Friday, May 21, Eastman Theatre; tickets from Original Performances, 270 Midtown Plaza.

Student Art — RIT Metro Gallery, 50 W. Main, through June 4. Monday and Friday, noon-4 p.m.; Tuesday-Thursday, 3-7 p.m.; Saturday, 10-2.

Songs and Dances of the Revolutionary Era — Mitzi Collins and the Wakefield Dancers, 3 p.m. Sunday, May 23, Memorial Art Gallery. Free.

To Kabul and Ulan Bator — Slide lecture by Charles Rand Penny, 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 25, Memorial Art Gallery. Free.

Chemistry Magic Show — Presented by William Herbert of Xerox, 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 26, St. John Fisher College, Kearney Auditorium; also 100 science exhibits arranged for two-day gathering of junior and senior high school students by State Science Teachers Association.

The Seven Little Foys — Bob Hope starring as vaudevillian Eddie Foy in 1955 film, 2 and 8 p.m. Thursday, May 27, Rochester Museum's Eisenhower Auditorium.

Mars: Search for Life — Strasenburgh Planetarium, 7:30 p.m. May 24-27, as prelude to bicentennial show, Revolutions.

Festival 76 — Greece Performing Arts Society weekend of concerts and plays, May 21-23, Arcadia High School, 120 Island Cottage Road. Friday, 7:30 p.m., winners of Young Artist Auditions; Saturday, 2 and 3:45 p.m., The King of Ice Cream Mountain, children's play; Saturday, 3 p.m., Greece Community Orchestra; Saturday, 8 p.m., Star Spangled Girl, three-act comedy; Sunday, 3 p.m., Greece Symphony Orchestra, Greece Choral Society.

Folk Dance Festival — May 22 at Brighton Middle School gymnasium, Twelve Corners, 25th anniversary celebration of International Folk Dance Club in Brighton. Workshop, 1:30-5 p.m.; dancing, 8-12, with Good Times International Band.

Garage Sale — Oriental rugs, antiques, included, at 1 Crestview Drive, Pittsford Heights, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, May 22, sponsored by Seton Branch 29 as benefit for St. Mary's Hospital.

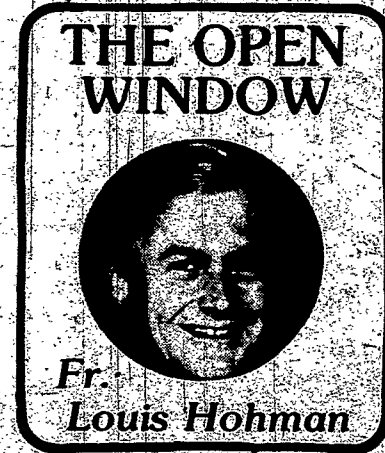
Knit Tops — Lecture-demonstration offered by Cooperative Extension Association, 249 Highland Ave., 7:30-9:30 p.m. tonight; repeated Wednesday morning, May 26, 9:30-11:30.

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.

Housing Conference Scheduled

The Bishop Sheen Housing Foundation is sponsoring the first annual Housing Conference at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, May 25, at the Nazareth Arts Center, 4245 East Ave.



THE OPEN WINDOW

Fr. Louis Hohman

Many of us would like to know the reason why newspaper religion writer John Cogley, Father Charles Davis of England and Father Dan Lyons all quit the Catholic church. Have any of them rejoined the church?

As you probably know by this time Mr. Cogley died recently and so from his particular point of view I guess we'll never know except in so far as he explained that he was simply not able to go along with many of the reactionary positions of the Roman Curia. That at this particular point is between him and his God. We certainly wouldn't want to make a judgment.

Nor can we make a judgment about Father Davis and Father Lyons. We know that the question of celibacy was involved in some way for both of them but may or may not have been crucial to the

Fisher College To Graduate 360

Father John M. Kelly, CSB, president of St. Michael's College at the University of Toronto, will address the 23rd graduating class at St. John Fisher College on Sunday, May 23. Bachelor degrees will be conferred on 360 men and women.

Honorary degrees will be awarded to Dr. Alice Foley, retiring president of Nazareth College, Dr. Howard Hanson, former head of the Eastman School of Music, and Father Kelly.

Father John P. O'Meara, CSB, first dean of the 25-year-old college, will give the baccalaureate address at a Mass at 4:30 p.m. Saturday. A reception will be held afterward in Lavery Library for Father O'Meara and the class that entered in September 1951.

situation. It is rather interesting that they are at opposite ends of the spectrum as far as theological positions are concerned. Father Davis was very liberal or, if you prefer, progressive and Father Dan Lyons was very conservative or reactionary if you prefer that term. Frankly I do not know the status of either one of them at present but again it is, as far as I am concerned, a private matter and not really important to the life of the Church. Each man must come to his own crossroads and make his own decisions and the rest of us have to be at least non-judgmental about those decisions.

Why is the pope always an Italian? Why doesn't some other nationality get a chance. And why did the pope reject the Majority Report which was in favor of birth control?

First of all, the pope hasn't always been an Italian. This may sound facetious, but the first one was a Jew. The vast majority of popes through the years have been Italian, I suppose because the pope is also bishop of Rome and a rather large percentage of cardinals are Italian. During the Middle Ages there were quite a few French popes. As far as I know there has been only one Englishman and that was Pope Adrian. I think that as the world gets smaller in terms of communications and transportation we are more and more likely to see the possibility of a non-Italian pope. Some of the news media are already speculating about the possibility of the next pope being of another nationality.

As to your last question 'why did the pope reject the Majority Report in favor of birth control?' I guess the answer is that as far as we can fathom he was told that if he were to accept the majority report there would be a mass of confusion arising in the Church from the fact that so many people felt the Pope could not reverse himself on this or any other matter, and that chaos would result. There was never any statement from the Pope himself as to why he chose the minority report instead of the majority report.

Msgr. Francis Lally and John L. Carr will discuss the recent statement of the U.S. Catholic Bishops' Conference on The Right to a Decent Home. Both speakers work for the Department of Social Development and World Peace of the U.S. Catholic Conference in Washington, D.C. — Msgr. Lally is secretary and Carr is coordinator for urban issues. Msgr. Lally is originally from the Boston area and was editor of The Pilot (the Boston Catholic newspaper) from 1952 to 1972.

The Bishop Sheen Housing Foundation was started by Bishop Fulton J. Sheen to provide no-interest loans and grants to low-income families to attain needed housing. Since then the foundation has expanded to help not only individual families but also to provide seed money for groups involved in housing throughout the diocese.

In the following week the Bishop Sheen Housing Foundation will hold three public hearings to learn what housing groups in the area see as the problem and possible solutions. These hearings will be June 1, at Immaculate Conception School, 187 Edinburgh St., Rochester; June 2, Cayuga County Home Site Development Corp., 60 Clark St. corner of James, Auburn; and June 3, St. Casimr's School, 1008 Davis St., Elmira. All begin at 8 p.m.

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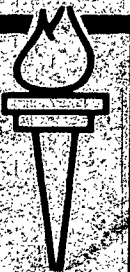


School Benefit

May 7 was a busy day for Sue Fasano, left, and Kathy DiPerna as they helped with final details of the Holy Apostles and Holy Family schools' bazaar. Featured in the sale were craft items made by the Sisters and items donated by members of the parishes. Money raised from the sale will be used to buy equipment for the schools.

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