



Awards for best manuscripts included in St. John Fisher College's literary magazine, "Angle", were presented recently to Nancy O'Donnell, 56 Nicholson Street, Rochester, (second from left); and Jean Walrath, 74 Arvine Heights, Rochester. Checks were presented to the winners by Dr. Abraham Rothberg, associate professor of English, and Rev. Charles J. Lavery, Fisher's president.

Catholic School Future Seen Hopeful... If

By MARY ANN GINNERTY

Auburn — There is a future for the parochial school, but you are really going to have to work at it," Father John Mulligan, co-pastor at St. John the Evangelist in Rochester

told the St. Mary's Home School Association here May 19.

"The important thing is that we realize it isn't something that is going to happen automatically. We can never remind ourselves too

often of the basic purposes of Catholic education because when we get tied up with education we worry about budgets and tend to forget the overall purpose," he said.

Referring to the 1972 U.S. Bishops' letter, "To Teach as Jesus Did," Father Mulligan said the Bishops saw the primary purposes of Catholic schools as teaching the message of community and service.

He stated that one of the fascinating questions parents can ask themselves is why they enroll their children in these schools.

Discipline is one of the things often mentioned. He said that if parents send their children to school for the discipline they do not receive at home it's a bad idea. However, if the parents want their children to be in an institution which teaches respect for other people, the reasons for discipline are excellent.

"When it comes to values, the purpose of the parochial school is not to turn out carbon copies of the parents, but rather to teach values which will carry students into the last quarter of the 20th century," Father Mulligan said.

Father Mulligan stated the school is only one part of parish ministry and not the only thing a parish does. However, if the parish runs a school it must be a quality school which has the full support of the parents.

He said that it is important to realize that both student and parents have to be involved in the school. In the future the school systems may have to move in the direction limited enrollment with established priority based on active participation in parish life.

Father Mulligan ended by saying, "I think we can be very hopeful about the parochial school if a parish really wants to commit itself to the school and (members) work together. I think we have to get together more often to talk about what the philosophy is and remind ourselves that our children are in parochial schools for more than the subjects."

30,000 at Conference

No Longer 'Toddlers,' Charismatics Told

South Bend, Ind. — The Catholic Charismatic Renewal has moved out of the "toddler" stage and is now ready to take strong steps.

That was the observation of Bishop Joseph McKinney, auxiliary bishop of Grand Rapids, Mich., and a member of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops' ad hoc committee on the Catholic Charismatic Renewal.

Bishop McKinney was speaking at a press conference at the 1976 Continental Conference on the Catholic Charismatic Renewal Memorial Day weekend on the campus of Notre Dame University.

Disregarding a steady weekend rainfall, an estimated 30,000 Catholic charismatics from around the country jammed Notre Dame's football stadium for the closing liturgy, celebrated by seven bishops and about 800 priests.

Archbishop Joseph L. Bernardin of Cincinnati, president of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, addressed the gathering Friday night, giving the renewal movement both his personal and official endorsement, while calling for unity both with the Church and within the renewal itself.

"I want to endorse the good that the Charismatic movement is producing," Archbishop Bernardin said, "and encourage those of you in the movement to open yourselves to the power of the Holy Spirit."

"I can give the same encouragement not only from a

personal point of view, but also officially as president of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops," he added.

During a press conference, Archbishop Bernardin said he has no quarrel with most aspects of the renewal, but he acknowledged that there have been some problems on a strictly localized basis. He attributed such problems to human frailties and emphasized that in dealing with matters of the spirit, such dangers always exist.

Archbishop Bernardin also called generally for increased participation within the movement on the part of the Catholic clergy.

Father Michael Scanlan, president of Steubenville (Ohio) College and chairman of the National Service Committee of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal in the United States, told a Saturday night crowd — soaked but "spirit-filled" in the continuing rain — that there is no such thing as an isolated individual in the kingdom of God.

Observing that much of the nation is "falling deeper and deeper into moral decay," Father Scanlan told the participants that they must seek strength from unity based on the quality of their personal relationships within the prayer communities.

Father Scanlan cited the need for sound scriptural and pastoral teaching, and warned that many parish prayer communities will not be able to survive without attaching themselves to larger and stronger prayer communities.

A Slide Show — With a Difference

Courier RapAround editor Joan Smith is a woman of many gifts.

Not only did she recently go alone to Russia, she took good photographs there, and she is an extraordinary public speaker.

On the last item — she'd better be. Mrs. Smith is vice chairman of the New York State Council of Toastmistress Clubs.

And she has been pulling it all together in recent weeks with a one-woman show staged for various groups around the diocese.

The Courier accompanied Mrs. Smith on a jaunt to Bishop Kearney High School, where she spoke and

showed slides of her Soviet adventure to the Russian Studies Class taught by Thomas Rizzo.

From the moment the brilliant colors of Red Square flashed on the screen, accompanied by her clever and well-researched narration, it was evident that she had the class in the palm of her hand.

Mrs. Smith's Russia is bestrewn with magnificent architecture, curious common folks who line up at the first sign of a market sale, proud goose-stepping military and the anomalies and atmosphere of a police state.

Nothing seems to escape her eye, be it an elderly woman assigned to

50 Priests On Retreat

The annual priests' retreats at Becket Hall have involved 50 priests this week, and will attract a similar number next week. Bishop Dennis W. Hickey is attending this week, and Bishop Joseph L. Hogan will participate next week.

Retreat leader this week is Father Paul Hinnebusch, OP, a retreat master from Texas. Next week's program will be conducted by Bishop Bernard Topol, bishop of Spokane, Washington.

Father William Trott at the seminary urges the people of the diocese to pray that their priests will have a good retreat, and return to their ministry renewed.



Shades of 1656!

Aurora — Students from St. Patrick's, Aurora, and St. Michael's, Union Springs, took part in a recent ceremony that brought to mind the days of 1656 when Jesuit missionary Father Rene Menard tramped the hills and gullies of Cayuga Indian territory in search of converts.

rain washed trail to a gully near the spot where it is reported Father Menard erected the first chapel in Western New York. Alb and fishing boots seemed appropriate garb for the occasion to celebrate the historic feats during this bicentennial year.

On a rainy, muddy day Father John S. Hayes, pastor at St. Patrick's, led the students down the

In 1656, the mission of the Cayugas was established at the Indian village of Cobiogouen.



Photo courtesy of the Hornell Evening Tribune.

May Crowning

Services honoring Our Blessed Mother were held at St. Ignatius Loyola Church in Hornell. Lori Deeb, May Queen, crowned a statue of the Blessed Mother. Her attendants were Bridget McNelis and Jonathan McFall. Margaret Sleggs was coordinator and Margaret Secondo acted as chairperson for the event. Pictured from left to right are: Father Leo Mans, pastor, Bridget McNelis and Jonathan McFall and Lori Deeb.

Deaths

Sr. Norberta, Oldest SSJ

Sister Norberta Prinz, the oldest member of the Sisters of St. Joseph, died May 30, 1976, at the age of 95. She had been on the convent staff at St. Agnes High School for the past 20 years.

Her sister, Sister Laurentia, died in April. Sister Norberta is survived by several nieces in Germany.

Ruth Fitzgerald

The Mass of Christian Burial was concelebrated in the school chapel June 2 by Fathers Walter Cushing and Joseph Reinhart. Msgr. William Naughton and Father Frederic Walz also were present.

The Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated for Ruth Fitzgerald May 28, 1976, at St. Salome's Church. Mrs. Fitzgerald, wife of Bernard Fitzgerald, died May 24.

Sister Norberta came from Germany to enter the Sisters of St. Joseph in 1897. She served on the staff of St. Joseph's Convent in Wayland for 37 years and at Corpus Christi for 10 years.

Surviving besides her husband are two daughters, Miss Mary Fitzgerald and Mrs. Michael (Kathleen) Ricciardo, a sister, Mrs. Virginia Leach, a granddaughter and nieces and nephews.

