



Sisters Mary Anne Laurer (left) and Mary Paul Geck (standing) listen as Sister Ann Collins, festival chairman, makes final plans for the festival.

## Sisters' Fall Festival Slated at St. Agnes

St. Agnes High School will be the setting for this year's Fall Festival sponsored by the Sisters of St. Joseph. The festival will be held on Friday, Nov. 5, from 5 to 11 p.m. and on Saturday, Nov. 6 from 5 to 11 p.m.

This annual festival offers an opportunity to friends and families of the sisters to gather and enjoy each other's company, as well as to take part in its many and varied activities. For those with a hearty appetite, a spaghetti supper will be

served both nights, from 5 to 8 p.m. Those who prefer to munch while they browse among the 15 different booths will find hot dogs, cold drinks, and pop corn also available.

Besides the many games and booths, there will also be an area where items for sale will be displayed. Many of these items for sale have been made by the retired sisters.

Proceeds from the Festival are used for their financial support.

Dear J.R.,

The sensitivity and insight of your first paragraph leads me to believe that priests as counselors and confessors would do well to listen more closely to people like you. But it is this particular kind of understanding and help in the confessional that we would like to bring about through revisions in the New Rite.

Regarding your second paragraph, I think you misunderstand the use of the expression "laundry list." We have no objection whatsoever to listening to sins that trouble the soul and we would like people to present them in the confessional not only from the point of view of celebrating their rejection of them but from the point of view of perhaps getting some needed counsel. We refer to a laundry list only when it is a barren recitation of sins which are usually repeated every time the person comes to the confessional — "I was angry five times, I swore ten times, I missed my morning prayers five times." It is this kind of thing which bears little or no relation to the real state of the person's soul and therefore is quite meaningless in terms of any change in that person. We would like to have people understand perhaps a little better why they are angry, why they miss their prayers, why they swear. It is when we really want to do something about a problem that we ask why we do it and what means are required to stop doing it.

I suppose it is quite possible that we of the clergy do underestimate people's religious feeling but I don't think that we underestimate the sincerity of so many people with whom we come in contact, who are indeed a great inspiration and joy. However, I do think your last sentence is a little too simplistic and while it refers to a substantial number of people, there are many others who do not have that insight and that spiritual development of which you speak.

Signed, J.R.

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Father Leo Hetzler, CSB, will be the celebrant of Mass opening this month's all-night vigil in reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Immaculate Heart of Mary at Holy Rosary Church, on Friday, Nov. 5 at 9 p.m.

The devotions which include

## Polish Night Nov. 13 at Kearney High

The Parents Clubs of Bishop Kearney High School will present their 4th annual Polish Night dance on Saturday, Nov. 13 in the school gymnasium.

A "home-made" Polish buffet, prepared by Chef Pete Patroski and his crew, will be served from 7:30 p.m.-9 p.m.

Entertainment will include a performance by the "Krakowiacy Dancers" and music for dancing, by the High Tones, led by John Garosinsky, from 9-11 p.m.

The ticket price is \$20 per couple and may be obtained from chairpersons, Matt and Irene Duncan (544-5594) or Tom and Mary Spiegel (266-9315).

## HOLY ANGELS

Friends of the nuns at Holy Angels Home will assemble there for Mass at 9 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 7. A coffee hour will follow, according to an announcement from Mrs. Mary Trotter of Laurelton Road.

## Deaths

### Franklin Warth

The funeral of Franklin G. Warth, who was killed in a street accident Oct. 20, 1976, was conducted Oct. 23 at St. Boniface Church. The Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated by Father Richard Shatzel, associate pastor, and Father Brian Murphy, O.C. chaplain at Nazareth Academy.

Mr. Warth was struck by a truck on South Goodman Street during a driving rain. Street lights and traffic signals had been extinguished by a power failure.

Sister Marie Theresa Warth SSI of Nazareth Academy was told afterward that her brother had been out "on an errand of mercy" when the accident happened. He was walking three elderly neighbors home from the movies, she said. He had not felt well enough to accompany them to the theater, but because of the bad weather and darkness he stopped for them after the show. He was 68 years old and had defective vision.

Since moving to Pinnacle Place, 919 S. Clinton, Mr. Warth had been a member of St. Boniface parish. Earlier, he had been "very active" at St. Patrick's, his sister said. Year around, she said, he would drive the order priests who offered the 6:30 a.m. Mass to and from the North Plymouth Avenue church. He was a past president of the Holy Name Society there. He was graduated from the parish school in 1923 and from Aquinas Institute in 1927. He worked for many years at Liberty Tool and Die, in Gates.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Roger (Betty) Burke and Mrs. William (William) Mansley, and six grandchildren.

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## Blue Army Slates Vigil

recitation of the rosary, are sponsored by Rochester chapter of the Blue Army of Our Lady of Fatima. Among the priests who will lead the rites are Msgr. John Duffy and Father Thomas Wheeland, according to Mary Kelly, first

delegate of the local group.

The vigil will close with a 6 a.m. Mass celebrated by Father Robert Meng, pastor of Holy Rosary and spiritual director of the organization.

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## SOME THOUGHTS TO CONSIDER

By Ed Sulewski

The funeral is a ceremony during which relatives, friends and associates pay their respects to the deceased and comfort the survivors. It usually covers a period of two to four days and takes place in the presence of the body of the one who has died.

There are those who believe that the wake or calling hours is outmoded or unnecessary. They suggest other approaches or even elimination of this custom. But nothing has proven to be as meaningful. In fact, some alternatives are totally lacking in those elements which experience and research have shown to be helpful to normal recovery from the loss a death creates.

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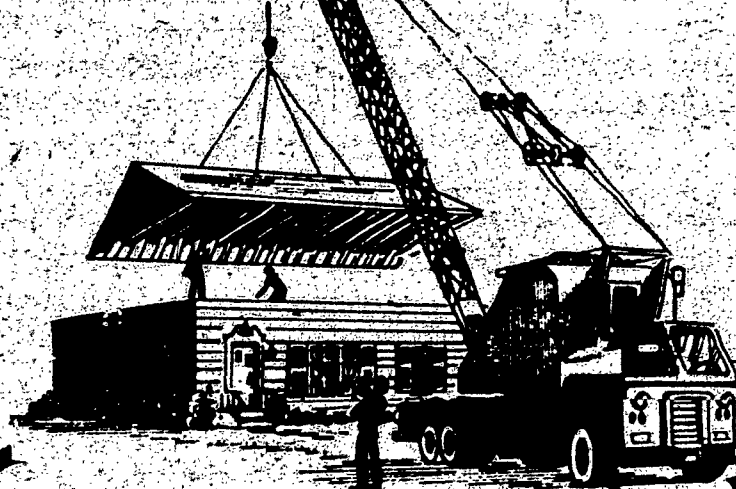
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