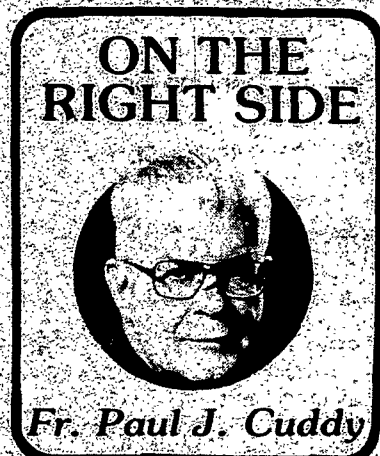


**'Ein Prosit'**

Lifting steins in anticipation of St. Pius Tenth's "Oktemberfest" to be held in the parish gym, Saturday, Nov. 6 starting at 8 p.m., are parishioners Bill and Kathy Lingeman and Mary and Ray Bleier. The evening festivities will feature music by the Silver Stars, dancing by the Schuplaters and a German supper of knockwurst, sauerkraut and kuchen.



**Fr. Paul J. Cuddy**

You insist on using only the religious stamp at Christmas?

Correct. This year the Postal Office offers an attractive secular stamp of children skating on a pond, and a handsome religious stamp of the Madonna and Child. However, there is a postal regulation quirk about the Madonna and Child stamp. It took years to get Christ recognized even as a historical person by the postal department. We had stamps picturing buffaloes, trees, flowers, eminent men and women like Lincoln, Harriet Tubman, but no stamp depicting Christ. Finally a few years ago, an artistic Madonna and Child was printed and offered at Christmas. The anti-religion people raised so violent an objection that the Postal Department did not print a religious stamp the following year. Evidently some one got to headquarters, because there has been a Madonna and Child stamp each year ever since.

What do you mean: "a postal regulation quirk?"

Pornography is now over the counter. The Christmas religious stamp is under the counter — like old time porno pictures. How? I went to the Post Office for information about the Christmas stamp, and in the information bulletin sent to all Postmasters I read this quirk: "The Christmas stamps will be sold at post offices only to a person who specifically requests them." It's a great country when filthy magazines like Penthouse, Hustler, etc. are sold from the open counters in grocery stores, super-markets, drug stores, while the picture of Jesus and Mary has to be sold under the postal counter, like the porno pictures used to be sold.

What do you give people for Christmas?

Usually nothing but a prayer and a cordial greeting. I have bushels of relatives, including 21 nieces and nephews and 84 grand-nieces and nephews, plus a recent great-grand-nephew born in Canada, and am in no position to be a Sugar Uncle to such a mob. I solve that gift-giving by sending to each family a subscription to Our Sunday Visitor. Last Christmas many people ordered a set of Abp. Sheen's cassette tapes to give to friends and

Religious. If anyone wants to send such a gift, write me at Holy Trinity Church, Webster, N.Y. 14580. The Gary, Indiana, Conferences are \$20.30. The Washington Priests Conferences are \$30.40.

What do you think of Santa Claus in department stores?

Mr. Edward Conway, who with his wife was on two of our Courier-Journal Ireland tours, told us a striking story. He said: "I am retired, and last year I saw an ad for a Santa Claus for a department store. So I decided to apply for the job, not for the money but to be of some help at the Christmas season. The children were a delight, and also a disappointment. With only one exception, every child had a list of things for himself: toys, skates, bicycles, all things for his own pleasure. There was one exception. He was a little boy who was from a very poor family. He said to me: 'Santa, there is only one thing I want. That's a white shirt for my daddy.' I was so struck by his spirit I gave him two dollars to apply toward the shirt." Isn't this an instructive story?

Any suggestions about Christmas?

Yes. 1) Use only the religious Christmas stamps — and insist on them. Remember the enemy works to keep Christ out of Christmas. 2) Do your shopping and mailing early. 3) Emphasize the religious aspects of Christmas even in your gifts. 4) Prepare spiritually for the Feast, with a definite prayer schedule, works of charity, like visiting the sick, the confined, the bereaved and the downhearted. If Wayne County's Savannah celebrates Potato Week, and Ontario County's Phelps celebrates Sauerkraut Week, and other cities and villages celebrate their particular enthusiasms, for us who Love the Lord and Our Lady, Christmas is super-special. Let's celebrate it fittingly.

**More Opinions**

**Help Fight Pornography**

Editor:

Because I have received so many letters and phone calls about my suggestion on how to eliminate pornography in our community, I am writing again. There are several things you must do.

\* Form a group with an elected leader who is willing to work and follow thru. Enlist ALL FAITHS.

\* Your group must do more than hold meetings. You must (if possible) get the cooperation of your priest, minister or rabbi and ask them to announce that your community is fighting all pornography for a whole month — "try for December" — Christ's birthday.

\* Write letters to every elected official from the President, Congressmen, Governor, State Senators, County leaders and local officials. Tell them they must cooperate to get rid of pornography if they expect to be reelected.

\* Write to the advertisers on your TV stations. Tell them you refuse to buy their products; then don't buy them. Go to your stores, all of them, tell the buyers and the owners that as long as they promote goods sold thru pornography that they will no longer get your trade and mean it. Also they must clean all pornography off their shelves. When you hurt their pocket books they will do away with pornography.

Ask God's help constantly — He will bless your efforts.

Joseph G. Esse  
6 Aztec Drive  
Rochester, N.Y. 14624

**Murphy Column Commended**

Editor:

I have friends in Rochester who occasionally let me read their issues of the Rochester Courier-Journal. I have been very impressed with the writing of columnist Nancy Murphy, especially in her defense of Catholic morality and the pro-life stance of the Church. Her writings are well-researched, logical and cogent.

The paper is to be commended for having a writer of the calibre of Mrs. Murphy.

Frances C. Origer  
95 Catherine St.  
Williamsville, N.Y. 14221

**Mooney Youths Commended**

Editor:

In a world that leaves much to be desired, it is refreshing to witness American youth ignore the bitterness, greed, and selfishness that exists in today's world and do "their thing".

On October 9, a steady, never ceasing, cold, bone chilling rain fell all day. On Oct. 9, the students of Cardinal Mooney High School conducted a paper drive — on Oct. 9, bright-eyed, casual, matter-of-fact, laughing, soaking wet kids loaded over 170,000 pounds of old newspapers and magazines into four trailers.

What's the big deal? They were going to use the funds for sports and recreation — right? Wrong!!! Every dime was donated to Mother Teresa's orphanage in Calcutta, India, as a project of the Students' Action for People Association.

I, too, was cold and wet on Oct. 9, while directing loading of the trailers, but wouldn't trade the memories of that day for all the warm fireplace seats in Rochester.

To Brother Aubert Harrigan and his faculty who helped load paper for eight hours, to Donna DeLoria

and her student friends who worked on the paper drive, to the parents of these great kids who hauled in paper and assisted with traffic — thank you for a heart-warming and memorable day.

Lawrence R. Shatzel  
341 Washington Avenue  
Rochester, New York 14617

**Naum's**  
Quality Diamonds Since 1899  
**1/3 CARAT DIAMOND SOLITAIRE**

**\$199.50**

We cordially invite you to inspect and compare our diamonds with any other fine diamond house. Like thousands of other pleased customers, we're certain that you too will find that the finest diamond values are at Naum's.

GREECE • WEBSTER  
PITTSFORD • CHILI

**GITSIS PARTY HOUSE**  
BUFFALO & WHITTIER RD

**For Your Wedding**

Package includes wine for toast, champagne, for head table, deluxe buffet, 4 hours of open bar, tax and gratuity.

**\$975 per**

Accommodates Up To 400 People  
For Reservations Call 594-9960  
NOV. 20 EVENING STILL AVAILABLE  
CHOICE DATES AVAILABLE FOR YOUR CHRISTMAS PARTY

**BISHOP KEARNEY HIGH SCHOOL**

**OPEN HOUSE**

For 7th & 8th Graders and Parents  
This Sunday, November 7th, 1-5 P.M.

Entrance Exam on Saturday, Dec. 4  
For Applications and Information Write or Call:

Bishop Kearney High School  
125 Kings Highway South  
Rochester, New York 14617

342-4000  
Office of the Principal

**WHITE TOILET**  
FINEST QUALITY REVERSE TRAP **\$39.95**

**37" x 22" S.S. DOUBLE BOWL SINK**  
**\$32.50**

• REPAIRS • INSTALLATIONS  
Our experts are ready for any plumbing problem. Call for an estimate.

**FERRARO**  
PLUMBING & HEATING SUPPLY

226 SMITH ST. • 232-2090  
OPEN DAILY 11 A • Thurs. 11 A • Sat. 11 A