

# Suburban Parishes Set Eucharistic Congress

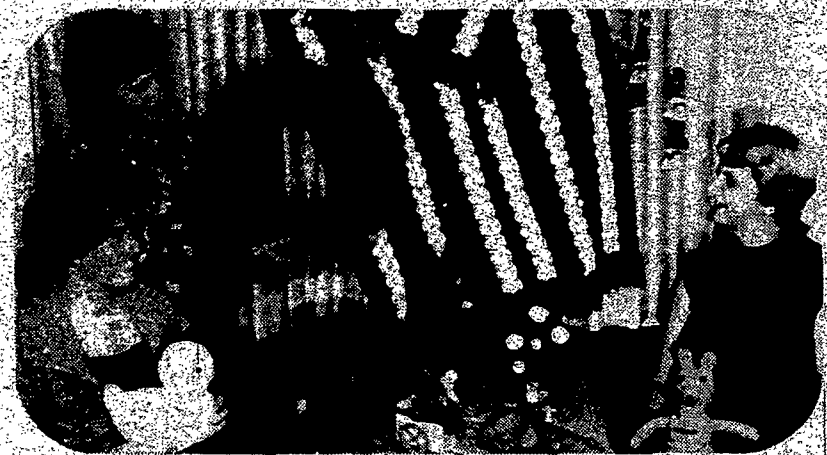
The education committee at St. Pius X, with help from their neighbors in three other parishes west of the city, have arranged a "Mini Eucharistic Congress" for Saturday, Nov. 13.

The Eucharist in the Person, the Parish, the Family and the Community will be the theme of talks by Msgr. William Shannon, Fathers Benedict Ehmann and Norman Tanck, Sister Virginia Hogan and John Blaine.

The day will begin with Mass at 9 a.m. followed by a light breakfast. The talks, including one for teenagers, will be given

simultaneously in the morning beginning at 10:30 and again in the afternoon, beginning at 1:30. Pot luck lunch is scheduled for noon and everyone intending to stay is asked to bring something. There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Benediction at 3 p.m. Further details may be obtained from George Goodwin at 247-2052.

The planners include Celia Gallo, Alice Miller, Father Ronald Frederick, Ray Trabucco, Tom Frantz, Sister Theresa and George Goodwin, all of St. Pius; Rita Wegman, St. John's; Spencerport, Barbara Bonin, St. Helen's, and Wayne Harrington, Holy Ghost.



## Mercy Moves on Hunger

The craftswomen, bakers and green thumb types at Our Lady of Mercy, Greece, will offer their wares to Christmas shoppers next weekend, and the money they take in will go to feed the hungry, here and elsewhere. In the photo, Corrine Moriarty, Pat Darling and Janice English display some of the things that will be on sale Nov. 19, 3-10 p.m., and Nov. 20, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., at the parish hall, Denise and Armstrong roads.

**THE OPEN WINDOW**

Fr. Louis Hohman

Dear Father Hohman,

Would you please answer this in your column. Some girls at my house the other night got talking about masturbation. Some say that it is wrong and some said it is not in

## Deaths

**Guido Bozza**  
Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated in St. Augustine's Church Oct. 9 for Guido Bozza, who died Wednesday, Oct. 6, 1976.

Mr. Bozza was born in Civatelli Casanova, Italy, Nov. 20, 1898. During World War I he was decorated for service to his country, service which also brought him the title Cavaliere dell' Ordine di Vittorio Veneto from the president of Italy in 1970.

He came to the United States in 1921 to work for Fashion Park. In 1934, Mr. Bozza took over his father's bakery, then located on Verona Street. In 1937 he moved the business to Prospect Street, where he continued to serve the community from the city's largest open-hearth oven, until his retirement in 1961.

Mr. Bozza is survived by his wife, Mary T. Bozza, a son, Guido V. Bozza, a daughter, Mrs. David (Rosann) Hartman, a brother, Vincent Bozza of Calif.; two sisters, Mrs. Mary DiFrederico of Canada and Mrs. Antonette Dalo of Italy; eight grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.

the ten Commandments or in the church commandments. Is it wrong or is it the way you yourself feel about it. Please answer this, it will help.

Signed, S.T.  
Dear S.T.:

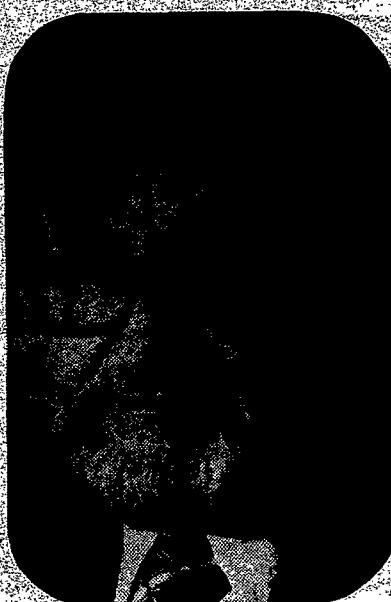
The first thing I would like to say to you and to your friends is that things do not become right or wrong because of the way people feel about something. The way we feel about things may determine our guilt or non-guilt but they do not determine the rightness or the wrongness of a particular kind of act such as the one you mention. If masturbation is wrong, it is wrong for one of several reasons: a, it is a disorderly act, that is, out of order with the purpose for which sexual activity was intended; b, harmful to the person doing it; or c, harmful to the order that God established in His world.

When we look at the act of masturbation objectively then it very definitely is a disordered action and therefore wrong.

Now when we look at it from the point of view of the one performing the act we may find that it is not simply a disordered act which is freely chosen but rather a reaction to a set of emotions within the person which make it extremely difficult to resist the temptation. These psychological factors probably reduce the act to one involving no guilt at all in many cases.

However that is the kind of judgment which none of us has the right to make except in our own case and then if we judge ourselves to be guilty we must seek God's forgiveness.

I guess the main point I want to get across to you and to many other kids who think the same way is that such objective acts do not obtain their morality by the way people feel about them. Many young people have told me that they don't feel guilty about having sexual relations with their boyfriends or girlfriends and therefore it must be all right. This is simply not true. All it means is the consciences of those young people have not been formed to see the thing as evil.



JOHN HOWARD GRIFFIN

# Merton Lectures Slated

John Howard Griffin, author of *Black Like Me*, his best-selling personal exploration of racism in America, will give three lectures on the life and works of philosopher Thomas Merton on Nov. 17, 18, and 19 at Nazareth College. The free, public lectures will begin at 8 p.m. in the Forum of the Otto A. Shultz Community Center.

Griffin also has written a biography of Merton, the Trappist Monk who gained instant fame with the publication of "The Seven Storey Mountain," an account of his struggle to find God. Before his death in 1968, Merton established a world-wide reputation as one of the leading Catholic writers and philosophers of the day.

Griffin's first lecture, on Wednesday, Nov. 17, is entitled "Thomas Merton: Inner Life and Prayer." The focus of Thursday's talk is social issues and of Friday's Eastern spirituality.

*Black Like Me*, Griffin's most popular and controversial book, describes his harrowing experiences while traveling through the South posing as a black. The writer studied philosophy, literature and medicine in Tours, France; music as a student of Nadia Boulanger and Robert Casadesu and philosophy under the guidance of Jacques Maritain. He has lectured at Universities throughout the world.

### REGIONAL ASSEMBLY

The Livingston-Stauben Regional Assembly will meet Nov. 14 at St. Joseph's, Wayland. Father Charles McCarthy, regional coordinator, stressed that all pastors and delegates from all parishes should attend this meeting.

### CHARITY BALL

Elmira — The neo-natal intensive care unit at Arnot Ogdens Hospital and the burn unit at St. Joseph's Hospital will receive the proceeds from the 10th annual Charity Ball sponsored by the Ladies of Charity of Chemung County. The ball, preceded by a cocktail hour and dinner, will be Saturday, Nov. 20 at the Downtown Holiday Inn. Music during dinner will be by organist Jack Gordon, with music for dancing by the Nelson Sickler orchestra.

Committees for the event are: Bishop John E. McCafferty, and Mr. and Mrs. George Bragg, honorary chairmen; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Beligotti, tickets and reservations; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Kwasny, invitations; Mr. and Mrs. John Watts, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Reidy, programs; Mr. and Mrs. John Corsi, decorations. Reservations may be obtained from Mr. and Mrs. Beligotti, 515 W. Gray St.

**ON THE RIGHT SIDE**

Fr. Paul J. Cuddy

The Lisbon-Fatima-Spain-Tangiers Courier Journal tour from Saturday, Oct. 16 to Saturday, Oct. 30 was unusual in several respects. Not one person got sick or even a respectable touch of Montezuma's Revenge, though most drank the local water. Not one bag got lost, or strayed or stolen. Every hotel was excellent. We had seven different hotels in three countries. Europeans rate hotels from Five Star to One Star. The One Star often is a kind of flea-bag. All the CJ hotels were four star. The meals were very good, but not gourmet. The group of 11 travellers was unusually congenial.

Who went? Lourdes of Brighton and St. Louis of Pittsford sent "the Nier girls," namely Mrs. Clarence Heiningger and Mrs. John Nothnagle. Together they brought a hilarity to the group which constantly erupted and sparkled like Roman candles. Assumption of Fairport sent Tom Bianucci and his wife Anna, and his sister-in-law, Mrs. Lucy Turchetti. The family has run a grocery store in Fairport for 40 years, and Tom and the store were featured in the Rochester Democrat recently in an article on their "unique Mama and Papa" store. Tom just closed up the store and went ajourneying with us. St. Agnes, Avon, sent the Latinist, Miss Mary McCarthy. She thrilled at every Roman remnant we saw in Spain, and groaned every time we had lofty ascents, e.g. at Spain's Valley of the Fallen. Mrs. Ruth Berenthaler of St. Patrick's, Corning, so enjoyed the Courier Journal tour in Ireland last spring, she

**BAZAAR NOV. 18-19**  
Coming — An old tradition at St. Mary's Church will be revived Thursday, Nov. 18 and Friday, Nov. 19, when a parish bazaar will be held in Corning Catholic School South at St. Mary's. The bazaar will be from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., each day, with luncheon being served on Thursday from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. The bazaar will feature Christmas articles, flowers, plants, a white elephant booth, a cake booth, handicrafts, posters and a parish recipe book.

General chairman is Gail Zahradka. Other chairmen include Yolanda Pierri, Connie Scudder, Helen Older, Rose Carozzoni, Freda Aug, Betty Ferratella, Anthony Miday, Fred Grimaldi, Pat Zuder, Teri Wiedmaier, June Evans and Mary Fehlner.

decided on this trip. She joined us in Syracuse with a five-pound box of her special home-made peanut butter fudge and a sewing kit. The fudge gave us energy. The kit kept the tour conductor's bulging seams and popping buttons in repair. Miss Margaret Toomey, the banker from Sacred Heart, Auburn, brought a special glamour. While we were on the trip to Fatima, a wealthy man from New Mexico asked for "the honor of taking her to dinner in Lisbon that evening." None of the rest of us was invited. Sister Louise Dolan, SSJ, of St. Joseph's Hospital in Elmira, saved the day on several occasions by her useful Spanish, which she had taught, and her religious smile.

And finally, my classmate, Father Lane of St. Stephen's, Geneva took charge of the daily Mass in our hotels. We concelebrated each day for the group. This privilege is another good fruit of Vatican II. Without it, we should have been tearing around trying to arrange for Mass at some local church near our changing hotels. Fr. L. brought his W.W. II army Mass kit with the beaten-up small chalice for which he has so sentimental an attachment that he will not have it repaired. His Mass kit was shot through by shrapnel from a bombing raid in North Africa, which bent the cup of the chalice and cut the lip, but it is still functional. Miriam Nothnagle asked: "Were you saying Mass when the bomb exploded?" He replied: "No. I was hugging the bottom of my foxhole saying fervent acts of contrition." His kindness and wit make any group happier.

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