



Seneca-Cayuga Liturgy Committee members Katie Reilly (at typewriter), Penny Perez and Bruce VanDyken mail out "educational packets" of the Chrism Mass.

Chrism

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Thursday morning in the cathedral.

In our diocese, the Chrism Mass has been scheduled for the Tuesday evening of Holy Week, in a different church each year, in an effort to encourage representatives of the whole diocese to attend.

PARISH PARTY

Father Jerome Robinson, director of the Office of Black Ministries, will be the guest of honor at St. Christopher's Church on Saturday, March 12. Festivities include a cocktail hour, a pot luck supper, a talk entitled "A Call to Reaction," and Mass. The evening begins at 6:45 p.m. Reservations may be made by calling Janet Gaffney at 594-8961.

Amin

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some 55,000 Asian tradesmen and their families, and has played on tribal animosities, using, according to Amnesty International, "almost routine" torture, systematic repression, and innumerable killings.

The respected human rights organization says that there are estimates that killings and disappearances ranged as high as 300,000 since Amin took power.

Despite the numerous reports of atrocities, the world for a long time regarded Amin as nothing more than a buffoon. His unpredictable clownishness and messages to world leaders — such as wishing President Nixon a speedy recovery from Watergate — was misleading.

But last July when pro-Palestinian guerrillas hijacked an Air France jet and held 103 Jewish passengers hostage at the Entebbe airport for a week with the obvious collusion of Amin, his true colors were clear. Israeli commandos staged their dramatic July 4 rescue.

Although figures are imprecise, three quarters of Uganda's 11.6 million people are estimated to be Christians, the majority Anglicans and Roman Catholics.

The first religious figure to feel the brunt of his purge was Archbishop (now cardinal) Emmanuel Nsubuga. Angered over the prelate's refusal to endorse his expulsion of Asian citizens, Amin accused him of being in league with "Zionists and South African imperialists," and placed him under round-the-clock surveillance. Next, Swiss-born Bishop Joseph Willigers was arrested, stripped, and held for 24 hours without food or water.

Catholic Army officers were either retired or, in some instances, killed as were a number of high ranking Catholic civilians,

Eye Bank to Note 25th Anniversary

A dinner-dance has been scheduled to note the 25th anniversary of the Rochester Eye and Human Parts Bank March 25 at the Holiday Inn Downtown.

Capt. Kenneth W. Sell, M.D., Ph. D., commanding officer of the Naval Medical Research Institute, will speak on "Give and Take — a Coordinating Community Transplantation Program."

The eye and human parts institute was introduced to Rochester in 1952 by the

Rochester Downtown Lions Club. Funds for the eye bank's operation are provided through private contributions and the Community Chest.

Music for the dinner-dance will be provided by Carl Dengler and the public is invited. Anyone wishing to attend should call the Rochester Eye Bank at 225-0980. For additional information, Ann Ritter, executive director, should be contacted at the same number.

Institute Sets Summer Course

The ninth annual summer session of the Notre Dame Institute for Advanced Studies in Religious Education, is scheduled June 27 to Aug. 5 at the institute in Middleburg, Va., near Washington, D.C.

Core courses will be taught in Theology, Philosophy and Catechetics. In addition to courses, workshops, special lectures, seminars and dissertation programs will be part of the session.

like Benedicto Kiwaunka, chief justice of the Supreme Court.

Amin expelled 55 of Uganda's 1,293 Catholic missionaries, as well as that of three clergymen of other denominations.

In a 1974 turnabout, Amin gave Archbishop Jsubuga a check for about \$143,000 as a contribution to finish construction on a National Shrine of the Martyrs of Uganda at Namugongo. The shrine commemorates the 22 Roman Catholics — since canonized — who died for the faith between 1885 and 1887.

In 1975, he was received by Pope Paul who spoke of his "respect, esteem and love for Uganda."

One year later, Amin closed down the Roman Catholic newspaper in Kampala, which was founded in 1912. Its editor, John Serwaniko, and three staffers were expelled. A black Catholic priest, Father Clement Musaka, an outspoken critic of Amin, was dragged from his church by police while celebrating Mass. His torn vestments were later found by the side of a road but he had vanished.

The latest turbulence, according to church sources, began on Jan. 25, the anniversary of Amin's coup, with a campaign against Christian churchmen and members of the predominantly Christian Lango and Alcholi tribes. Reports of genocide against such elements are being reported almost daily now.

Amin, a member of the minority Kakwa tribe, who has publicly praised Hitler for the holocaust which killed 6 million Jews, turned the focus of his brutal sights on Uganda's Anglican leadership.

Such attention climaxed in the death of Archbishop Lwum and the arrest of Bishop Yona Okoth of Bukedi, whose fate is still unknown.

The Church 1977

Fr. Andrew Greeley

I've got to admit I made a mistake.

I thought it was impossible for the "National Catholic Reporter" to sink any lower than it had already, but the rank vicious amateurism in the review of Hans Kung's "On Being a Christian" is the most detestable thing that that sadly failing journal has ever done.

No author, not even such a great theologian as Hans Kung, has the right to a favorable book review, but every author has the right to a professionally competent review, unmarked by pettiness, envy, and inflated self-importance.

When a book review editor considers who will comment on a book that many think to be a classic, the reasonable and sensible thing to do is to seek out an able and distinguished, though not necessarily uncritical, expert from the author's field. (Thus, David Tracy's "Blessed Rage for Order" was appropriately reviewed by Gregory Baum and Avery Dulles.

But not the "National Catholic Reporter." They play it cute; they seek a review from someone who is virtually unknown. (And I called a number of local theologians to find out if they knew who the author of NCR's Kung review was, and they had never heard of him.) Well, all right, sometimes such a decision is a stroke of genius; a virtual unknown may write a brilliant review.

But most of the time he will do what the NCR's reviewer of Kung's book did: he will puff himself up with his own importance and announce pompously, "I was disappointed." And the NCR, with its usual flair for responsible journalism, turns that narcissistic line into a full-page headline.

If Avery Dulles or Gregory Baum or David Tracy or Edward Schillebeekx were disappointed, that might be a headline; but who cares whether a virtual unknown is disappointed or not? If the reviewer had any taste, he would have realized that his own personal disappointment would be totally irrelevant to readers of the review. Hopefully, he was embarrassed to see his disappointment headlined.

Unfortunately, if one looks at other paragraphs in the review, it is clear that its author is beyond embarrassment. At the very beginning, he dismisses the immense success of "On Being a Christian" in Germany (on the bestseller list for several months) as probably being the result of Hans Kung's "Time" magazine style.

A few lines later in the review the writer complains of the obscurities in Kung's style. Now either "On Being a Christian" is popular because of its simple

"Time" magazine style or it is obscure; it can't be one and the same thing. The reviewer did not catch his own ludicrous self-contradiction; apparently, neither did the NCR's editors.

Responsible theologians may well disagree with some of Kung's methods and conclusions; it may even be that some of the NCR reviewer's technical observations on the book are appropriate (if they are, I am sure Father Kung will respond to them). But technical criticism ought not to be framed in a professional context.

It would seem, however, that on such characteristics the "National Catholic Reporter" and its readership thrive.

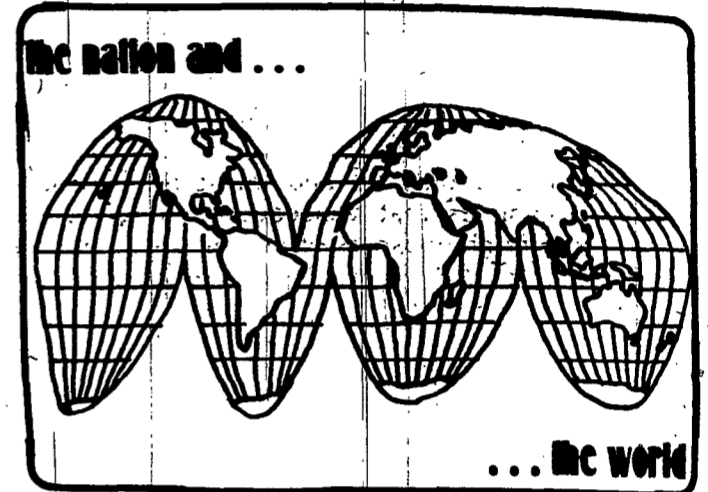
St. Pat's Dinner Planned

St. Thomas More parish will hold a gourmet dinner and dance on Saturday, March 12 at 7 p.m. in honor of St. Patrick's Day. The event will be held at the school located at 2617 East Avenue and dancing will be to the Vinnie Randazzo Quartet.

Tickets are \$4.75. For reservations, contact Cathie Costello, 586-8998; Joan Brown, 271-3270.

PRIEST TO SPEAK

Father Paul McCabe will explain the Charismatic Movement in a lecture to be held at Guardian Angels Church, on Sunday, March 13, at 7:45 p.m.



The Vatican has again rejected the ordination of priestly candidates by Archbishop Marcel Lefebvre, the dissident traditionalist French prelate suspended by Pope Paul, stating that the young men ordained cannot exercise their ministerial faculties ... Meanwhile more than 1,000 traditionalist followers of the archbishop occupied a Catholic church in Paris and threatened to stay until they are given a church of their own to celebrate the unauthorized Tridentine Mass.

Medical schools would be prevented from discriminating against prospective students who are opposed to abortion under a bill introduced in the Senate by Sen. Richard B. Schweiker. A high proportion of medical schools the senator's office surveyed question applicants for admission on their abortion views, and some schools admitted that pro-life students were discriminated against in the admission program ... Americans United for the Separation of Church and State has protested the "interference" of the National Labor Relations Board in parochial school employment practices. Andrew Leigh Gunn, director, sent a telegram to the NLRB stating "It is our intention to support the authorities of the Roman Catholic Church in their legitimate refusal to accede to this improper intrusion by the NLRB." The NLRB has ordered Catholic schools in several dioceses to hold union representation elections for lay teachers. The schools have refused, claiming that a federal agency cannot interfere in the internal affairs of religious institutions.

A black newspaper published by the Christian Council of Rhodesia has been banned by the government, according to reports received in New York City. Umbowo, which was founded in 1918 by the Methodist Church in Rhodesia has been banned under the Law and Order Act of the government. In Nairobi, Kenya's Roman Catholic bishops have declared that "the continued violations of human rights in Uganda shames the rest of independent Africa."

And into each reign a little life must fall: It seems that Rev. Sven Voss was pronouncing benediction at the little village church in Sabro, Denmark, when a parishioner rose and said, "Vicar, there is something I want to say to you. This is no threat, but unless you stop running after my wife, you'll be in for a sound thrashing." R. Falka Gregersen was subsequently fined \$50 for disturbing the peace during the Christmas Eve service at the Lutheran Church. Said the husband, "Since the church is where the priest gives his messages to the congregation, I decided that the church must also be the place where I gave my message to the priest." Pastor Voss was subsequently dismissed because of "profound disagreements between vicar and congregation" ... and sued for divorce by his wife.

We'll leave nameless the auxiliary bishop of an East Coast archdiocese who uttered these words in a meeting with his state's House Judiciary Committee, "We (the bishops) will do what is reasonably necessary to see what we can do to bring the moral implications of this legislation to the attention of the people of the state and the legislature."