



St. Agnes Garage Sale

"Save Now" is the plea of the co-chairpersons of the St. Agnes High School garage sale, sponsored by the Parents Club. Jane Horn, Carol St. James, Anna Brenner and Mollie Howden, mothers of St. Agnes students, are demonstrating wanted items, which include varying household items, crafts, games, jewelry, next-to-new clothes (clean, pressed), portable furniture and collectors' items. Pick-up points for saved items will be designated by May 1. The sale will take place on May 20, 21.

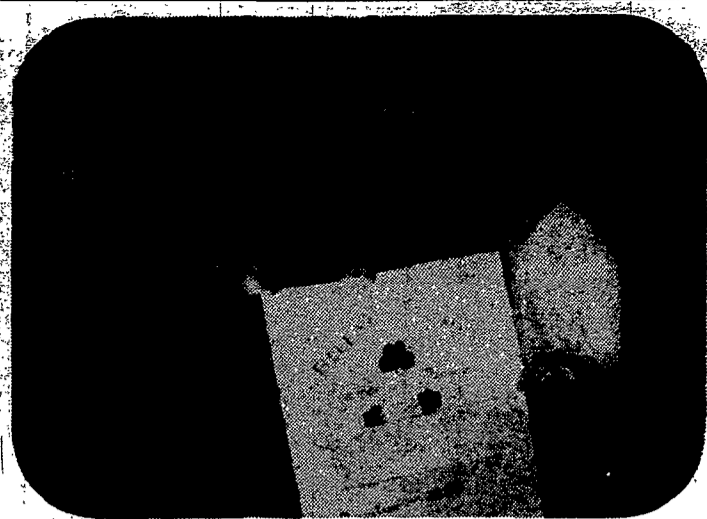
St. Pius X Irish Night To Help 'Belfast Kids'

St. Pius X Church plans to sponsor some of the Belfast Kids who will be coming to Buffalo for a summer vacation. Some 160 children, evenly divided between Protestant and Catholic, will spend six weeks in this country.

In 1975 the same project was sponsored by a Buffalo group and was regarded as highly successful.

Helping to defray the costs, St. Pius X will be raising funds as part of its Irish Night at the parish gym, Friday night, March 18.

Tickets for the affair which will feature Finucane's Irish Band and a catered supper are \$5 and may be obtained by calling 998-2165 or 247-1837.



Planning St. Pius X Irish Night festivities are, from left, Jim and Jeanette Cullen, Jack Quinn, and Joyce and John Daley.

DCG Plans Toronto Trip

The Southeast Region divorced and separated Catholics group is sponsoring a trip to Toronto the weekend of April 22-24. The weekend's featured event will be a Mass and talk by Paulist Father James Young, chaplain of the National Association of Divorced Catholics, and the founder of the first divorced and separated Catholics group.

The Rochester group will be hosted by the Toronto divorced and separated groups. Further information can be obtained by contacting Rita Lewis, 151 Macbeth St., Rochester, 482-1715, or Joan Keirsbilk, 482-5957. The deadline for registration is March 15.

Leadership, Prayer Themes Of Becket Hall Retreat

A used tube of toothpaste, a bar of soap and a pair of socks were the only material remnants of one of Becket Hall's busiest weekends. Project Leadership, a retreat for 35 high school sophomore, junior and senior boys late in February. But the spiritual benefits for all involved will persist.

cooks, dishwashers and floor supervisors.

The weekend began with registration Friday night, followed by breakdowns into groups of six or seven students with two seminarians as group leaders.

Saturday, Father Connor and Rev. Mr. Peters gave some talks that were followed by group discussion. The theme was getting to know Jesus Christ, Father Connor said. A film on the Prodigal Son and an afternoon Penance service was followed by dinner and an evening at the YMCA. Later, the groups acted out skits based on Gospel accounts.

The retreat ended after Sunday Mass with the groups meeting to set goals for themselves such as time, place and frequency of prayer periods and meditation.

"The weekend was a great success," Father Connor said. "This group was especially serious, questioning what they should do about their lives. There is a greater interest in God and prayer among high schoolers in recent years. The last few years, our Project Leadership retreats have been more retreat-oriented than when first started."

Project Leadership began 10 years ago at St. Andrew's Seminary, under the direction of Father Louis Hohman, pastor of St. Vincent de Paul Church in Churchville, who then

served as spiritual director at St. Andrew's.

"The project was started and run mostly by students," he said. "I acted as host, but the seminarians were the ones who took care of the kids. I only gave one talk. The retreat aspect of the weekend is a new development."

Notices were sent to all parishes. Father Connor said, "and some show more interest in the weekend than others. For example, Marion, a small town, has sent the most kids from one parish every year since I can remember."

Becket Hall will be host to another weekend for high school boys in May at Camp Stella Maris. That weekend will be more recreational, a time for the youngsters to relate to the seminarians on an informal basis with no set agenda, according to Father Connor.

Lenten Event Scheduled

Father Louis Hohman will join Nazareth College alumni, spouses and friends in the Forum of the Shults Center on the Nazareth College campus on Tuesday, March 22, from 7:30 - 10 p.m. for the Alumni Association annual Lenten event.

Father Hohman will lead the gathering in a Penitential rite, "Thru the Way of the Cross." During the Eucharistic Celebration his homily will be "A Resurrection Person." Coffee and a discussion period will follow.



ON THE RIGHT SIDE

Fr. Paul J. Cuddy
To Sister Mary Constantia, BVM, Clarke College, Dubuque, Iowa:

"Thank you for your interest in our Legion-sponsored Magnify the Lord radio program. Regarding your request for the script for last Sunday. My office is thoroughly disorganized. A Sister used to help me keep it in some kind of order, but she is away for six months, and I am on my own. So I do not have the script, but what you probably want most is the prayer, Slow Me Down, Lord, by Cardinal Cushing. People feel the pressure of too much to do.

Will send you copies of that prayer, and some extra gifts: Acceptance, a booklet by Father Vincent Collins; Prayers of an Irish Mother, and some rosary booklets. Spreading literature and tapes is like planting fruit trees. The books and booklets and tapes continue to produce fruit. Thanks be to God.

From Sister Mary Constantia:

"What generosity! I have already shared and am enclosing a donation for the postage and some more of that wonderful Acceptance booklet.

I have been enjoying your Magnify the Lord program for some years. It comes on from 6:30 to 6:45 Sunday mornings over our Dubuque station WDBQ. I am also mailing copies of the paraphrase of The Lord is my Shepherd from the Irish prayer book. What a beautiful act of confidence in God."

From a Bostonian:

"Especially enjoyed your column on Bishop Kearney. He certainly was a wonderful man. My husband thought he was just great. He was stationed at Sampson and he remembers all the times he came to the base, especially on Christmas Eve when he could have celebrated Mass in some beautiful church.

From what I read in the

Courier I think they are sort of far out up there. There probably are places the same here, but our pastor is auxiliary Bishop Lawrence Riley, and he tends to the conservative side. So thank heavens, we stay on an even keel. He was at the North American College with Msgr. Richard Burns of St. Thomas the Apostle."

From a Rochesterian:

"Your column on the Bishop's last days was beautiful. With 33 years in broadcasting and several years on Frank Horton's staff, I attended many functions with Bishop Kearney and admired and respected him.

I am one of the Church's conservative 'silent majority,' not by choice but because attempts in the past to voice an opinion were ignored. So now I just keep quiet and wish things were different.

Dear Mr. X,

"Never give up! Conservatives have common traits: they sit and lament, do not stir to promote their loyalties, and give up after a few unsuccessful sallies. Liberals tend to be aggressive, suppressive of the opposition, manipulating; and they know parliamentary procedures, to take over meetings. They combine the techniques of Saul Alinski and the perseverance of the communists. Consequently they take over the positions of influence and the sources of communication: print, radio, TV.

Do not give up. The axle that squeaks gets the grease — finally. But it gets attention only by persistent squeaking."

From a Port Byron parishioner:

"Enclosed is a check to cover the costs for Bishop Casey's book The Heart Remembers, Too, and the Treasury of Prayers.

I read your column and listen to your Sunday radio program from Auburn station WAUB very faithfully. God bless your work

To the parishioner:

"When Father William Bergan of Auburn taught us at St. Andrew's Seminary, he made us write an essay on the Bible text, 'A faithful friend is a strong defense, and he who has found one has found a treasure.' (Sirach: 6:14) Your friendship is greatly treasured. Thank you."

The Cayuga County Right to Life Committee has launched a letter writing campaign which supports a New York State Legislature petition to amend the U.S. Constitution by prohibiting experimentation, by medical researchers, on live, aborted fetuses.

Amendment Campaign

Members were asked, by the committee, to write to their state senator and assemblyman urging them to support State Senate Bill S374, sponsored by Senator Richard Schermerhorn, and Assembly Bill A513, sponsored by Assemblyman Andrew Ryan.

Loras Elects Lay Prexy

Dubuque (RNS) — Dr. Pasquale di Pasquale Jr., former president of Assumption College in Worcester, Mass., has been named the first lay president of Loras College here.

He will succeed Msgr. Francis J. Friedl, who has served as Loras president since 1971. Founded in 1839, the college has an enrollment of some 1,400 students. The school was named for Bishop Mathias Loras, the first bishop of the Dubuque Catholic diocese.

A native of Boston, Dr. di Pasquale, 48, was a Fulbright Scholar at Oxford University in England and received his Ph.D. in English at the University of Pittsburgh. He and his wife, Charlotte, have three daughters.

Hello Dolly Scheduled in Brighton

The Brighton Theater Guild will present the musical, "Hello Dolly" on March 11-12 and 17-18-19 in the Brighton High School auditorium. Tickets may be obtained at The Guild's box office located in the Twelve Corners branch of the Community Savings Bank.

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