

Cathedral Adult Ed. Offers 4 New Courses

The Spring session of the Sacred Heart Cathedral adult education program begins next week with lectures on conscience formation and contemporary issues, a workshop for parents of

adolescents and the eighth in a series of New Testament explorations. In addition to these evening courses, there will be afternoon meetings with Father Thomas H. Wheeland, associate pastor, who will talk about the

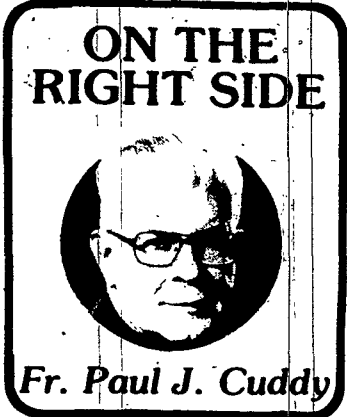
sacraments and spiritual development.

In a course entitled The Formation of a Christian Conscience, Dr. William J. Sullivan, STD, of St. John Fisher College will help his class examine such problems as racism, abortion, euthanasia, poverty and wealth "in the light of the perennial tension between the Spirit and the law." Dr. Sullivan achieved his doctorate at the Institut Catholique in Paris and formerly worked for the World Council of Churches Commission on Faith and Order, in Geneva, Switzerland. He has been teaching at Fisher since 1969.

Family Service of Rochester, a counseling agency, has assigned staff members Ellen Kaminski, Paul McVey and Veena Narayan to conduct "A Parents' Tour through the Teen Years," its fifth offering in the cathedral's annual program.

Father Sebastian Falcone, STL, of St. Bernard's Seminary, a regular on the evening faculty, will guide his students through the four-gospel accounts of the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus, in a course described as "an inspiring, prayerful and scholarly approach to the story of salvation."

Father Falcone's eight-week course is scheduled for Tuesdays, 8-10 p.m., beginning Jan. 24. Dr. Sullivan's begins Jan. 25, to run for eight Wednesday nights, 8-10. Family Service will conduct six sessions, 8-10 p.m. Wednesdays, also beginning Jan. 25. Father Wheeland's meetings are scheduled for 1:30-2:30 p.m. Tuesdays and participants may register by telephoning Joan Winter at 647-3481. Registration for the evening courses will take place at the first session of each. The program is open to all adults.



To a priest friend, not of this diocese:

"Thank you for your Christmas note. I had heard that you left, and of course am greatly saddened. But as you would expect, I do wish for your happiness and holiness. I hope that you and your wife will be good instruments for the glory of God and His Church. My unchanging thought is from the psalmist — 'Not to us, O Lord, but to Your Name give the glory.'"

"Things continue happily here, thank God. My health is remarkable for all my 69 years. I have lost 25 pounds the past four months, thanks to dieting. I have many opportunities for work, and the will to do the work. May the New Year be bright, and may your wife permit you to keep your beer in the refrigerator."

From Courier-Journal agent:

"Enclosed is a list of those who made inquiries on Hawaii. Several have sent their deposits but the time is now critical as we have already been called by the Hawaiian hotels for confirmation of reservations. If any have indicated interest, give me a call and I will call them."

Response:

The Courier-Journal sponsored Hawaiian tour is scheduled for March 29-April 9, the Wednesday after Easter. While it is some time off, reservations have to be made earlier because of the demands on the Hawaiian hotels. Interested people should contact the Courier.

From Chapman, W. Va.

"Several years ago I ordered a set of Bishop Sheen tapes. My husband has been looking for the address of the new set that has been out for the past few months. If you have the address will you please send it to me. It will make a lovely Christmas gift."

Response:

The last set of cassette tapes made by Abp. Sheen was the succession of eight sermons he gave on Good Friday, 1977, shortly before his serious surgery. It is

entitled Christ, His Passion and Death, and was given at St. Agnes Church, New York City. I sent the set to Mrs. Lozier, saying, "The sermons are good, but I think the best he gave were the Gary, Indiana, Retreat Conferences." However, I am sending you the Passion set, and you can send me \$20 plus 40c postage at your convenience."

Readers of the OTRSide will be pleased with a report from Bishop Dennis Hickey, who told me over the phone today, "Recently I had lunch with Abp. Sheen in New York. He is in better health than he has been in years. Looks fine, and his spirits great. He never had much of an appetite, just picked at things, but he ate fairly well. He was enthusiastically getting ready to give a priests' retreat in Columbus, Ohio. And he is working on a Lenten series. Did you know he gave the Midnight Mass homily at St. Patrick's Cathedral at Christmas? Report was carried on the front page of the New York Times." So let us bless God that this 82-year-old apostle is still going strong. How this must please our beloved Bishop Kearney in heaven.

From Fr. Joseph T. Gaynor, Elmira Heights:

"You will be happy to know that I have ordered 40 copies of Abp. Wheeland's Living the Catholic Faith Today for our teachers and aides. It is very good!"

Response:

There are few persons whose judgment I regard as highly as Fr. Gaynor's. His commendation is worth a dozen from most people. On Jan. 1 I spoke on the book at Mass, and mentioned, "You will learn more from this little book than from 52 homilies from the pulpit." We sold 300 copies after the Masses. One man bought a copy and grinned, "I won't have to come to Mass for 52 Sundays now." After reading the chapter, Practical Hints on Participating in the Mass, he will find the Mass much more than the sermon or the accidentals of the liturgy, and will get more from the Holy Sacrifice. I have sold 900 copies already, and plan to sell 500 more. If you want a copy, send me \$1.25 at Holy Trinity Church, Webster, N.Y. 14580.

Church Women To Meet

The Rochester Regional Task Force on Women in the Church will commemorate the first anniversary of the Vatican document regarding the ordination of women at St. Bernard's Seminary, Saturday, Jan. 28, 2-4 p.m. The afternoon will include a time of prayer, reflective study, readings, song and a guest speaker (yet to be announced). The public is welcome.

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