



Shown above are some of the students who gave presentations at the Assumption Youth Forum. From left are Eileen Clark, Tony Phillips, Gordon Cruickshank, Debby Corso, John Cary and Patricia Keenan.

Church Youth Groups Share Views on World Problems

Students of the Father Kelly School of Religion from the Church of the Assumption, Fairport, joined forces with youth group members of the neighboring Church of the Resurrection, in a youth forum recently.

The forum, titled "The Eucharist and the Hunger of the Human Family" was designed to focus the attention of the nearly 60 eleventh and twelfth graders on some of the "hungers" of mankind, and

to try to come up with ways in which they could help alleviate them. Six prepared talks were followed by group discussions.

"There is a yearning for real truth," said Debbie Corso, from Resurrection, "especially now when everything and everyone seems corrupt. Some try to escape truth, to fight reality, but they always lose. The answer is to face this yearning, to seek Jesus, who said: 'I am the way, I am the

truth, I am the life. Whoever believes in me will have life everlasting. And love everlasting."

John Cary and Gordon Cruickshank emphasized the strength and the spirit of community that Christ brings to us in the Eucharist, especially through daily Mass when this is possible.

In speaking of the "Hunger for Understanding" Eileen Clark said, "When your friend has a problem and asks for your help, don't neglect him. You could save a life by taking one minute to talk and show you care. God needs us to give friendship, and we need God to fulfill His words as best we can. Also on the subject of understanding, Patricia Keenan said that "children don't take time to understand their parents. There should be heart to heart talks."

Tim Mason appealed for compassion for the hungry of the world, citing that the average American spends about \$60 yearly on non-essential foods. "Hunger for Peace" was the subject of Tony Phillips' talk in which he stated that peace must come through sacrifice, and must begin with the individual.

Meg Slisz presented ideas on "Hunger for Freedom and Justice," focusing attention on the injustice suffered by so many of the unborn.

The forum was also attended by Father Lewis Brown and David McNamara, of the Diocesan Office of Religious Education, and Father Joseph Beatini, pastor of Assumption.

Father Beatini spoke on the 41st International Eucharistic Congress held in Philadelphia in 1976, which he attended.

The Father Kelly School of Religion is staffed by trained lay teachers, the parish priests and sisters, and is under the direction of the Sisters, Mission Helpers of the Sacred Heart, whose Motherhouse is in Baltimore.

Deaths

Lucy MacAdam

Mrs. Lucy Whalen MacAdam, who taught school at St. Lucy's for 14 years and worked as rectory housekeeper in two other Rochester parishes, died May 16, 1978, at St. Patrick's rectory in Mt. Morris.

She was a sister of the pastor, Father John S. Whalen, and of two women religious. Father Whalen celebrated the Mass of Christian Burial May 19.

Mrs. MacAdam, 72, was the widow of Randal MacAdam. Before coming here four years ago, she worked at her home parish, Holy Cross, and at Our Lady of Mercy. She was a former president of the Holy Cross Rosary Society and chairwoman for the parish Brownie Scouts.

Survivors include two sons and three daughters, Peter, Stephen and Kay (Mrs. William) Toomey of Rochester; Marcia (Mrs. Joseph) Miller of Corning and Mary Pat (Mrs. Robert) Duggan of Simi, Calif.; 20 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; another brother, Richard, and five sisters, Miss Helen Louise Whalen, Sister Mary Kay Louis, SSND, Mrs. Thomas Farrell and Mrs. Robert Odenbach, all of Rochester, and Sister Ruth Whalen, RSCJ, of New York City.

Sarah Horr

Mt. Morris—Miss Sarah Horr who would have been 100 years old this September, died May 13, 1978, in the Livingston County Infirmary in Geneseo. She

was a member of a pioneer family and the oldest resident of this community.

The Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated May 16 at St. Patrick's by her nephew, Father Alfred J. Horr of Wolcott.

Miss Horr was a seamstress for many years. She was a member of St. Patrick's and its Rosary Society. Her home was in Hopkin Street.

Survivors include three other nephews, Donald Horr, superintendent of schools in LeRoy; Frederick Horr Jr., Mt. Morris, and Robert Horr, supervising principal of Williamson Central School.

Julia Larkin

Mt. Morris—The Mass of Christian Burial was concelebrated last Friday for Mrs. Julia B. Larkin by her son, Msgr. Thomas Larkin, and the priests of St. Patrick's, Fathers John Whalen and Dominic Grasso.

Mrs. Larkin died May 14, 1978, at her home in Clearwater, Fla., at the age of 85. She was the widow of William T. Larkin, onetime editor of The Mount Morris Union, and an upstate Democratic leader. For many years she was owner and manager of Beuerlein's Department Store, which her father established in 1893.

Survivors include a daughter, Clarice Larkin, of Clearwater; a sister, Mrs. Howard (Agnes) Bryant, Dansville, and several cousins.

CCGEB Approves Policy, Constitutional Changes

By MARTIN TOOMBS
Southern Tier Editor

Elmira—The Chemung County General Education Board (CCGEB) completed revisions to its constitution, heard preliminary registration figures for the coming year, and approved a proposal making sacramental preparation a parish responsibility at its meeting May 11 at Lady of Lourdes School.

The approved constitution revisions, following other changes made at the April meeting, will give board seats only to parishes that participate in the system's assessment formula. Under that rule, St. Charles Borromeo and St. John the Baptist parishes will not have voting membership on the board.

The board then turned to discussion of a new quorum requirement. A move to require seven of the nine members for a quorum was defeated for lack of a two-thirds majority. Those calling for a quorum of seven pointed out the provision for alternates in the new constitution, saying that seven members should be obtainable at each meeting. The possibility of three members blocking board action by their absence was raised as a problem. A motion to require six members for action to take place received the necessary support. The new constitution will go into effect in September.

Preliminary registration figures were announced by Thomas Klotz of the Public Relations and Registration Committee. Currently 860 students are registered for next year, which is approximately 100 fewer than began the current year. More registrations are expected in the coming months, he noted.

House Tour

The "mushroom house" at Powder Mill Park, a Welsh-style farmhouse and a Penfield residence described as a "study-in-glass" are among scheduled stops on the third annual Seton Tour of Homes June 3.

The tour, arranged by the Seton branches of St. Mary's Hospital, is a money raiser for the hospital. Tickets may be obtained from Mrs. Robert Skipworth, 32 Buttermilk Hill, Pittsford, N.Y. 14534. Lunch will be offered the tourists at Locust Hill Country Club.

Martin Tracy, Finance Committee chairman, noted that next year's budget is formulated for 960 students, and adjustments may be necessary if enrollment doesn't reach that figure.

The board approved a proposal by Father Kevin Murphy, St. Patrick's pastor, that sacramental preparation for First Eucharist and First Penance be a parish responsibility. The proposal received lengthy discussion, as it had at the March meeting. Father Murphy, Father Edward Foy of St. Peter and Paul, and Father Albert Delmonte of St. Anthony's spoke in favor of the proposal, noting its importance to parishes that do not have an elementary school on their grounds. They expressed a need for all a parish's second graders, regardless of the school they attend, to participate in the same preparation program. Some board members, representing parishes which have elementary schools on their grounds, debated the need for such an exclusion of sacramental preparation from the schools.

Father Murphy pointed out that the proposal dealt only with actual preparation, and not with a child's religious education, including education about the sacraments. The proposal was approved eight to six.

The CCGEB also consented to a recommendation reached jointly by the Finance and Personnel committees that the current business manager, T. H. Banks, not be reelected for the coming year. No motion was offered to reverse the committees' decision. Father John Leary, of St. Mary's, and Sister Julia Clare, St. Mary's principal, noted their

regrets that the action was being taken, and expressed their appreciation for Banks' contributions to the system.

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