



Family Planning

Photo by Susan McKinney

Two new couples have been trained and certified by Natural Family Planning Education of Rochester to teach NFP. At left are Earl and Judy Knab with their children Michael and Michelle. At right are Norman and Sandy Pawlak with their children Christopher, Kelly and Sara. The Knabs belong to St. John of Rochester parish in Fairport, the Pawlaks to Holy Rosary in Rochester. There are now 12 couples certified to teach the NFP method in this diocese.

Information on NFP

A Natural Family Planning information session has been scheduled from 7:30 to 9 p.m., Monday, Aug. 6, at the Education Building at St. Mary's Hospital.

The session will be conducted by Joe and Terri Petracca, the director of NFP, and is open to the public at no charge.



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Word for Sunday

By Father Albert Shamon

The Spirit Is Stirring The Waters

Sunday's Readings: (R3) Mk. 6:30-34. (R1) Jer. 23:1-6. (R2) Eph. 2:13-18.

A couple of weeks ago — June 25-29 — seven

Rochester priests, Fathers Ed Shamon, Tom Reddington, Bob Miller, Dave Simon, Ron Harley, Dan Karl and I, attended the 5th National Charismatic Conference for priests and deacons at the College of Steubenville in Ohio.

The theme of the conference was Apostolic Renewal — renewal of the Church by going back to our apostolic heritage as set forth in the Acts of the Apostles.

My brother and I went with open minds, but still with the intent of observing and evaluating this movement called Charismatic. As the Apostolic Delegate, Archbishop Jean Jadot said in the opening talk at the conference, "There are charismatics and charismatics, just as there are Catholics and Catholics. It does not help... to think and speak about Charismatic Renewal as if everyone in it were one way

We discovered, however, that there is an orthodox side to the Charismatic Renewal Movement, based on sound theological foundations. More than this, we came away feeling that the Charismatic thrust was the right direction for the Church to take in renewing herself.

Renewal, you know, differs from revolution. Revolution deals with structures. Revolutions attack governments, regimes; they generally replace one evil with a worse one. Renewal, on the contrary, focuses on persons. It turns the sword not against self and selfishness. It aims to change persons and

through transformed persons, to change society. The Church therefore espouses renewal, seldom revolution.

Charismatic refers to the gifts of the Holy Spirit given to individuals for the upbuilding of the Church. These gifts differ from sanctifying grace. Sanctifying grace is given for the holiness of the individual; the charismatic gifts are given for the good of the Church. Charismatic gifts have a social-dimension. They are for the Christian community. Sanctifying grace is the ordinary channel, to holiness; the charismatic gifts are extraordinary — they are the works of the Holy Spirit. That is why the Charismatic Renewal offers so much hope for the Church. It seems today that we need, more than ever, the direct intervention of God's Spirit to reawaken the conscience of the world. And wherever the Spirit has thus intervened, we encounter turned-around Christians, Christians radiating joy, love, peace — the fruits of the Spirit — a witnessing sorely needed in the Church and the world today.

At Steubenville there were 1,043 priests. You could feel the power in that gathering. You knew the Spirit was there. The daily liturgy lasted two hours. Yet no one was weary, no one bored, no one restless. God was there!

At our liturgy, there were an Episcopal bishop and 90 Episcopal priests. After the Liturgy of the Word, they were dismissed and sent to celebrate their Eucharist elsewhere. Before the dismissal, however, all prayed that this scandal of two tables be healed by the Spirit of God, that this disunion handed down to us be not continued by us. Our separated brothers returned after Communion. There was no intercommunion!

I regret that my article permitted me for my article does not allow me to tell of the wonderful conferences given by such international figures as Francis McNutt, Michael Scanlan, John Bertolucci, Bruce Yocum and others. All I can say is that the Spirit is stirring the waters — a new Pentecost is here!

Business In the Diocese

Cornelius J. Murphy, group vice president of the Eastman Kodak Company and general manager of the International Photographic Division, has been elected to the Nazareth College Board of Trustees.

Murphy began his career with Kodak in 1954 as a development engineer in the Paper Service Division. After serving in various supervisory posts, he became assistant general manager, Kodak Park in March, 1977 and was elected an assistant vice president the following month. He was appointed to his present position on Feb. 1, 1979.

Formerly of Hohokus, New Jersey, Murphy received his B.S. in chemistry from Southeastern Massachusetts University and an M.S. in physical chemistry from the University of Maine.

He is a member of the City-County Youth Board, the Lincoln First Bank Metropolitan Advisory Board,



MURPHY

the board of trustees of the Eastman Dental Center, the board of directors of the Rochester-Monroe County Chapter of the American Red Cross, the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and the Society of Photographic Scientists and Engineers. He also serves on the board of management of the Bayview YMCA.



CHRISTIANO

John J. Christiano has been named to head a new Industrial-Commercial Property Management Department at Farash Construction.

Christiano has served the company in public relations, personnel, new development and in advance planning for the company's long-range expansion program. He now will oversee the acquisition and management of new industrial and commercial properties as well as the company's commercial and industrial portfolio.

Christiano and his wife Elizabeth live in Pittsford where they are members of St. Louis parish.

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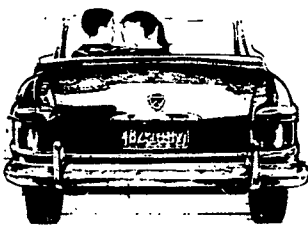


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