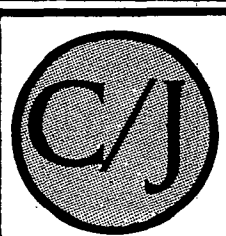




## Atonement Jubilees

Four Atonement Friars recently celebrated silver jubilees of their religious profession at a Mass of Thanksgiving at the Graymoor, N.Y., headquarters. With Father Kevin F. McMorrow, SA, superior general (center), are Brother Joseph Marie Zakia of Rochester, presently on the staff of the Graymoor Christian Unity Center; Father Peter Taran of the Bronx, currently on the staff of the Catholic Central Library in London, England; Father David Doerner also of Rochester, serving as a hospital chaplain in Los Angeles; and Brother Raymond Masterson of New York City, who is assigned to the parish of Sao Sebastiao in Jatai, Brazil.



### Calendar

**TRINITY COLLEGE ALUMNAE** — Picnic Sunday, Aug. 12, home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Napier, Pittsford; current students and parents as guests.

**RPO FREE CONCERTS** — At Manhattan Square Park Aug. 13, 8 p.m., at Highland Park Bowl Aug. 16, 8 p.m., Isaiah Jackson conducting; rain dates Aug. 14, 17.

**FINGER LAKES MUSIC FESTIVAL** — At Community College, Canandaigua, 8 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 12; Rochester Philharmonic conducted by Isaiah Jackson, featuring Della Reese, singer.

**CLASSIC FILM SERIES** — Forbidden Planet (1956) 2 and 8 p.m. tomorrow, Aug. 9, Rochester Museum and Science Center, museum auditorium.

**JAZZMOBILE** — Milt "Bags" Jackson, vibraharpist, outdoors at Memorial Art Gallery, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 14. Free; rain or shine.

**EINSTEIN CENTENNIAL LECTURES** — In Temple B'rith Kodesh courtyard, 2131 Elmwood, 7:30 tonight, Dr. Moshe Lubin of U of R. Public, free.

**CANOEING** — Basic course for adults, at Mendon Ponds Park, 6-9 p.m. Aug. 20-24; given by Red Cross and Monroe County Parks. Pre-registration required: 275-9800.

## Beginning Experience Schedule Announced

The schedule for Beginning Experience weekends has been announced by the Family Life Office.

Four weekends have been scheduled during the coming year, one at St. Michael's Seminary in Conesus, and three at the Sisters of St. Joseph Motherhouse at 4095 East Ave., Rochester.

The first will be Sept. 14-16 at St. Michael's. The weekends at the motherhouse will be Nov. 30-Dec. 2; Jan. 1-13; and Feb. 29-March 2.

The Beginning Experience designed to help widowed, separated and divorced persons make a new beginning in life. Although the program was designed by and for Catholics, it is open to persons of all faiths.

The weekend is conducted by a team of trained leaders. The program consists of presentations by the team followed by private reflections and then dialogue in small groups. The small groups provide the basis for building a support community that extends beyond the three-day involvement.

The team leaders include men and women who are divorced or widowed, as well as persons with experience in life renewal.

This year's offering will be the second year of Beginning Experience in the diocese, and the many alumni around the

## Villa Alumni Set Reunion

The St. Joseph's Villa Alumni Association has set the second homecoming reunion for Sept. 8, Benjamin Luccitti, president, announced. Last year's reunion drew more than 100 alumni, plus their families and friends, he said.

The association was formed last October to provide assistance and support to the Villa, the announcement said. Membership is open to former residents not only of the Villa but also of its forerunners, St. Mary's Boys' Home, St. Patrick's Girls' Home and St. Joseph's Orphanage. Friends and former Villa staff members are invited to the homecoming. Details may be obtained at the Villa, 3300 Dewey Ave., 716-865-1550.

## Survey Seeks Information From Blacks

The "National Family Strengths Study" going on at the University of Nebraska at Lincoln needs information from black people who regard their families as strong. All who take part in this survey will receive copies of the final report. Single-parent families are as welcome as others, according to a release from the university.

Persons interested in filling out questionnaires may write to this address: Dr. Nick Tunnett, Jerry King, National Study of Black Family Strengths, Department of Human Development and the Family, University of Nebraska at Lincoln, Neb. 68583.

**Mass Time**  
Dansville — St. Mary's Parish has announced a change in the Sunday Mass schedule. As of Sunday, Aug. 5, Mass will be celebrated at 8:15 a.m. Previously there had been an 8:30 a.m. Mass.

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## Insights in Liturgy

By David E. Nowak

### Liturgy Institute '79

Once again preparations are under way for the annual Diocesan Liturgy Institute to be held on the beautiful campus of Keuka College, Aug. 24-25. This year we are especially pleased that Father Eugene Walsh, SS, of the Catholic University of America has accepted our invitation to deliver two addresses on the theme "I Will Bless the Lord at All Times." (Ps. 34)

The first time this writer had the pleasure of hearing Father Walsh was in the Fall of 1977 at the annual meeting of the Federation of Diocesan Liturgical Commissions. At the closing session, Father Walsh bravely stood before several hundred liturgists gathered from across the country and announced his liturgical diagnosis: "The outstanding characteristic of worship in the United States is boredom." Like the "dry bones of Ezekiel's valley," liturgy in America is generally "without a life-giving spirit."

Throughout the land "lively liturgical celebrations are the exception." Too often, "passive communities," not knowing why they are there, and "incompetent ministers," not caring how they are there, produce celebrations that

"start nowhere, have no middle, and go on forever!" All in all, a poor return for the cost, and damaging to the faith of everyone present.

Yet, despite his dark report Father Walsh is anything but a pessimist. His analysis of liturgical prayer in the United States (and he hastened to tell us he found conditions even worse in Europe) was not meant to send us home in despair, but to challenge us to, as he put it, "go for the jugular."

He assured us that our communities are not hopelessly lost on the rocks of "gutless, middle-class, white inhibitions," but powder kegs awaiting the necessary spark to ignite their sense of eucharistic ministry to the eucharistic assembly. Father Walsh's goal was, simply, to enable us, as he inspired our efforts, to be the full sign of "people assembled eating and drinking in faith and hospitality."

His prophetic challenge was to create the liturgical context in which our experience of "faith proclaimed and shared" was nothing less than "the tear in the eye and the lump in the throat" of real people praying together in real-life situations.

Father Walsh warned us of an attitude prevalent among liturgical planners and ministers whose

inadequate preparation and presence communicates clearly that "we hope you will enjoy what we are doing, but if you don't we have ways of making you."

And he reminded us that our first responsibility in roles of service to fellow Christians is welcoming one another with open minds and hearts into the eucharistic community, and there releasing the energy of people longing for an experience of God.

Undoubtedly, the message Father Walsh will bring to this year's Institute will be a message of hope for all who share the frustration and the joy of liturgical ministry. For his is a message grounded in one absolutely consistent fact: whenever a parish clearly understands what to do, and cares enough to take the pains to do it, good celebrations and a genuine transformation of the parish inevitably take place.

So, if you share Father Walsh's belief that something should happen at Sunday Mass "to change things for me," to enable everyone present "to actually feel a little bit of the love of God, (and) the faith and courage to go on living for another week," we invite you to join us by the waters of Keuka Lake for prayer and study at Institute '79. Come and experience how your parish might begin to "put it all together," and "make it easier for God to get in touch with his people." (Eugene Walsh, The Theology of Celebration, p. 11)