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Equal Time

What do you think of the Pope's visit to the U.S.

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LYNN YOUNG
Sophomore
yearbook staff

"I think it's good for his public life — getting to know everyone. It seems like all the other popes stayed in Rome and didn't bother to travel so now I feel that the Vatican is close and not just an institution. He doesn't seem as far away or as old as other popes and I feel he might communicate more with everyday people and not just the important ones. I think women should give out communion. They are a part of the Christian community, too. His visit to Ireland may help but he may be endangering his life."



THERESA FOLEY
Junior
soccer manager

"I think it's great because it will strengthen the Catholic Church here in the U.S. and make people take a second look at the obligation of going to Mass on Sundays. I think American Catholics are falling away from going to Mass and seeing him here will make people think. I think women should be allowed to distribute communion during his visit because if they're not it might be a setback for what they have gained within the Church. I think all the pope's travelling is good because everyone knows he cares. He strikes me as a very caring man."



DEBBIE MULCAHY
Sophomore
Student Senate Secretary

"I think it's really good especially for the Polish people. I think his visit will strengthen ties between the Vatican and American Catholics and it should be good for the pope's image. I'm glad he's going to Ireland because he's showing his interest in those people. The people will be glad he's coming but he may be in danger from those who won't appreciate his visit. I think it's best he stay out of the Irish problem."



CHERYL RALSTON
Sophomore
soccer

"I think it's good because it shows American Catholics that he's interested in us and that will renew people's faith. I think that it is good that he has an interest in all nationalities and I like the way he talks to the little kids. He strikes me as a man anyone could talk to. Before him, I thought of the Vatican as far away and official, but now I understand it more probably because of all the publicity."



MERCY MORANO
Junior
Glee Club

"I'm glad he's coming but I've heard that he isn't allowing women to give out communion. I think that's sort of unfair. We're a part of the religious community too and it's putting men ahead of women. I think his visit will reinforce the ties between American Catholics and the Vatican. I don't think he should have stuck with plans to visit Northern Ireland because of the killings."



AMY FLAHERTY
Junior

"It's good because it will renew people's ties with the Catholic Church knowing he cares by coming here. Not allowing women to give out communion may change things because women have been trying to be in the Church and this may undo it. But he's mainly coming to bring Catholics together and there shouldn't be demonstrations. I don't think he should visit Northern Ireland because of the fighting. They need his help but I think he made a good choice."



LIZ FLOW
Junior
stage crew

"It's good because the visit will make the American Catholics feel closer to the pope. I think not allowing women to distribute communion might upset the visit but I think he's going more traditional and I feel the Church should be more traditional and not so fast changing. I don't think he should have put his life in jeopardy by travelling to Northern Ireland. If he took a more active role in the Irish problem it might complicate matters because it is a problem that has to be solved by the Protestants and Catholics themselves. The pope can give guidance but the people have to work it out."



SUSAN RALSTON
Junior
soccer

"I think it will be nice and it shows he has an interest in bringing us closer to the head of the Church. American Catholics feel separated from the Vatican because it is so far away and because the pope's over there and so busy. However, this is modern times and we're supposed to be a modern nation and accept people for who they are and I don't think it's fair that women won't be allowed to give out communion. It is good he's giving his blessings in the Irish Republic but I feel he'd be in danger if he went to Northern Ireland. It might be dangerous for him to become involved in the Irish problem."



Editor's note — Women, as women, are not being left out of distributing communion during the Pope's visit. As reported in the Courier-Journal (9/12/79) — Neither men nor women who are "special ministers of the Eucharist" will be used to distribute Communion, Dr. Eugene Fisher, a layman, commented. He is a theologian who heads up the bishops' Secretariat for Catholic-Jewish relations. He also said the ruling by order of the papal master of ceremonies, Msgr. Virgilio Noe, is usual operating procedure for papal visits.



Photo by Terrance J. Brennan

Special Visitor

Bishop Matthew H. Clark visited Nazareth Academy, Friday, Sept. 14, to say Mass for the community. Welcoming him were Theresa Gatson, senior class president, Eileen Lomedico, sophomore class president, and Marifrances Arioli, junior class president.

Swim Meet For Funds

To raise money for the benefit of St. Mary's Hospital, the 70th Seton Branch of St. Mary's is sponsoring its second Swimathon, Oct. 27. Monies raised will be used to purchase a patient-nurse call system — a bedside communication system for every bed in the hospital.

The event will be at the Otto Shults Center, Nazareth College pool, Saturday, Oct. 27, 10:30-2:30 p.m. Procedures include: swimmers must be 10 years old or older; each swimmer may swim as many lengths as he or she can up to 25 lengths; refreshments will be served after the swim; cash prizes will be awarded to — swimmer with most paid sponsors and to the swimmer earning the most money.

For further information and pledge cards contact: Mary Anne Chaney, 248-5312, or Julie Fitzsimmons, 244-8270.

DeSales Welcomes Exchange Students

Geneva — A new dimension has been added to DeSales High School with the addition of exchange students Angela Galango, a sophomore from the Philippines and Jaime Cano, a senior from Colombia, South America, to the school community. Their stay here is sponsored by the Youth for Understanding Program and will continue through the school year.

Angela comes from a family of six and lives in the Philippine capital of Manila. English is a required language in her homeland so she has no difficulty in speaking or understanding the language. Her hobbies include sewing and cooking. Angela likes it here in the U.S. She is staying with the Anthony Priano family.

Jaime is the second child in

a family of three and is from the Colombian capital of Bogota. He has played soccer since he was five and is a welcome placekicker on the football team. He is also enjoying his stay here and hopes to return someday. He is staying with the Bill Hendrick family.

Come And Disco

St. Agnes High School will hold its first dance of the season, Friday, Sept. 28, 8-11 p.m. Entertainment will be provided by the Galaxy Disco Band. Proceeds will be used to sponsor Student Senate activities throughout the year.

Family Picnic Activity

Over 300 Mercy students and their families enjoyed a day of sunshine and fun, Sunday, Sept. 16, at the annual Freshman Family Picnic. Students competed in relays, a three-legged race, a balloon burst, and a bubble-gum blowing contest. Mothers joined their daughters for an egg toss and fathers searched endlessly for their shoes in the "shoe-be-doo". After the activities there was a picnic on the school grounds.

Dinners On Sale

The Parent's Association of Our Lady of Mercy High School is sponsoring "Dining After Dark" dinner book tickets. The booklet price is \$6 and may be purchased through any Mercy student or by calling the school office, 288-7120. Parents may still make returns from their sales by sending a check to the school.



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