# Today's Courier Jan. 30, 1980

#### Day Remembered . . . . .

Jan. 22, the anniversary of the Supreme Court's decision to allow abortion-on-demand, has become a memorable date. Each year, the anniversary is marked in varying ways by those interested in the morality of abortion. This year, Cardinal Terence Cooke of New York pledged new Church efforts to provide moral alternatives to abortion. In Washington, thousands marched and called for the overturn of the Supreme Court ruling.

#### Church Town Meeting ... 9

Pastoral ministry and the future of Catholic schools were among the topics discussed at the Chemung-Schuyler Town Meeting at St. Casimir's Church in Elmira recently. The event drew more than 600. Bishop Matthew H. Clark, Father Paul McCabe, regional coordinator, and Father Henry Adamski, pastor of St. Casimir's, concelebrated the opening Mass.

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Rochester Catholic Charities is gearing up to welcome more than 2,000 representatives of Catholic Charities across the country. The occasion will be the national convention, to be held in the Fall. Representatives already have gathered in Rochester to discuss plans for the gathering. Among those representatives were Msgr. Lawrence Corcoran, executive director of National Conference of Catholic Charities, and Jack Bovaird, chairman of the planning group and associate director of Catholic Charities of the Archelicese of New Orleans.

## Ice Discipline ......12

Ballet and Gymnastics are rigorous art forms that demand complete body discipline — but put them together while on the ice, in skates, and the result is stretching body discipline to the utmost. Lisanne Noon, from Our Lady of Mercy and a figure skater for six years, has learned to do just that. In RapAround she discusses her practice schedule, her ambitions as a skater, her favorite ice idols, and her ideas on the Olympic hopefuls.

#### Families Pray ...... 17

Most Precious Blood Parish is initiating a Families for Prayer program aimed at "highlighting the necessity, timelessness and value of family prayer." The program for the Stenson Street community will begin on Feb. 10.

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The personal working library of the late Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen has arrived at St. Bernard's Seminary Library. The 16,000-volume collection is now being uncrated, sorted and filed. Also given the library in Archbishop Sheen's will are papers, correspondence, photographs and memorabilia. The archbishopop was Bishop of Rochester for three years in the late 1960s.

#### Family Year Opens . . . . 10

Holy Family Parish opened its Year of the Family in a big way on Sunday, with a Mass concelebrated by Bishop Matthew H. Clark, and a reception. The event drew nearly 700 people.

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work against the family, and consequently against the nation. "The enemies of God and democracy destroy first the family," he said.

Among the forces which strain the integrity of the family, he said, are "economic patterns in which both parents have to work," and certain values being promoted by both the media and the schools.

He called the absence of religious values in public school education, "the big problem in schools today."

He is especially encouraged, however, by the steps the Church is taking in regard to family life, particularly towards children.

He cited Pope John Paul II's audiences with young people in the U.S. last October as evidence that "the Church is trying to lean toward the young." He lauded the pontiff's challenges to youth to preserve "traditional religious roots."

"Christianity is the heritage of all times," he exclaimed, and preservation of that heritage is the key to solving many problems families face."

Thomas is no stranger to Rochester. His family lived here a brief while. He attended East High School for a few days and played at the Lewis Street Center. He quipped that he quit attending East High to "sell Eskimo Pies at the Gaiety Burlesque Theater."

His shrine to St. Jude, the St. Jude's Research Center for Children with Catastrophic Diseases, has an operating budget of \$57,000 a day, "and we're raising it," he said.

The hospital is open to all children free of charge and is the only such institution devoted "100 per cent to catastrophic research for children." One day, "a long way off," he hopes to establish a trust fund for the center. The donation of \$75,000 he received in Rochester from the Holstein Friesian annual convention will bring that "long way off" a little closer.



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