



International Day

Lyclcrest Division of the Girl Scouts, including troops from Most Precious Blood, Holy Family and Holy Apostle churches, celebrated International Day recently, during which crafts, foods and clothing were exhibited to demonstrate the cultures of such countries as Egypt, Puerto Rico, Germany, Mexico, Poland and Italy.

Fr. Albert Shamon



Word for Sunday

Easter — To Die to Sin, To Begin Anew

Sunday's Readings: (R3) Jn. 20:1-9, (R1) Acts 10:34-37-43, (R2) Col. 3:1-4.

What does Easter mean for us and for Jesus?

Let us listen to a dialogue between a Moslem mullah and a priest.

The time is after the noonday Easter Sunday Mass. The priest is outside the church, greeting his parishioners, who are all dressed up in their Easter best. The children scamper out, ready for an egg hunt on the parish grounds.

The priest is amazed when a Moslem comes out of the church.

"Are you visiting friends in the parish?" asked the priest.

"No, I'm from Saudi Arabia, on behalf of my government. I'm a mullah, a kind of priest in the Moslem faith. I was curious about your Faith."

"Well, you are welcome, especially today, when Catholics celebrate Easter."

"But why are your people so nicely dressed? Their clothes seem brand new."

"Because they are celebrating the resurrection. The resurrection was something brand new in history, and marked the beginning of our Faith. People show this by wearing new things on Easter."

"But what does resurrection mean?" the Moslem asked.

"It means," said the priest, "that Jesus was a man like us. His enemies killed him, but he came back to life."

"You mean Jesus died and came back to this life?" queried the mullah in wonder. "Where I came from life is still hard. Lots of disease, empty bellies. My

friends grow old, get worn out. Why would He want to come back to a life like this?"

"The life He came back to," explained the priest, "is not at all like this life. His body rose in the vigor of youth. It could never suffer again, nor grow old, nor die. It could travel faster than the wind, beam itself wherever it would be in the twinkling of an eye."

"That's pretty clever," smiled the mullah. "But where is this Jesus now? If He has come back from the dead, why can one not see Him? He has disappeared, hasn't He?"

"Well, He's out of sight," grinned the priest, "but He hasn't disappeared. He is still with us, even though we cannot see Him. His followers see Him — but only through the eyes of faith."

"This morning, for instance, we finished Easter Mass. You know what our Mass is? It is the celebration of our Lord's presence in our midst."

"Then too, we believe that all of us gathered here to worship God our Father are the body of Christ. That's what the Church is. She teaches what Jesus taught, suffers as He did, dies too, but always rises, because Christ is with her all days, even to the end of the world."

"You're way ahead of me, Father," said the mullah. "What did the resurrection mean for Jesus?"

"It meant that He was all He said He was; that all He taught is true; that He brings good out of evil, life out of death."

"OK," said the mullah. "You say Jesus is still alive, not dead. How does that affect His followers?"

"Well, His followers share in His death and resurrection through baptism. At Mass today our people renewed their baptismal vows. This was a promise to die to sin, to begin a new life of love, self-sacrifice and commitment — to begin again. Remember the new clothes."

The mullah seemed touched. "It would be consoling to believe such things." The screaming of children grubbing for Easter eggs interrupted his reverie. "Why do you hunt eggs on Easter?"

"As the new chick comes out of the egg, so soft and fluffy and full of life, so Jesus came out of the womb of the tomb — to give us all a new start in life."

"There is much here for thought," said the mullah, as he thanked the priest and left.

Local Firm Sets Charity Celebration

McDonald's is sponsoring a McHappy Day on Sunday, April 27 to raise money for local children's charities. The Rotary Camps for handicapped children will receive 25¢ from every Big Mac Sandwich sold in Rochester.

National and local VIPs will greet guests, pass out french fries and flip hamburgers. McHappy Day has been celebrated by McDonald's restaurants in Canada for two years. It will be celebrated in Rochester as part of McDonald's 25th anniversary.

School System Sets Policies

The Rush Henrietta Catholic School System reported last week that registrations for the 1980-81 school year are "very encouraging despite a decline in numbers in other school systems in the area."

The two schools, Guardian Angels and Good Shepherd, consolidated two years ago to "economize expenditures and eliminate duplicate facilities and services," according to a release. Guardian Angels houses pre-school and kindergarten through third grades. Good Shepherd teaches grades 4-8.

New admission policies have also been adopted. Some of these policies follow.

Grades 1-8 will have a minimum of 22 students per class and a maximum of 30. New classes may be formed when the maximum number is exceeded.

New registrations for non-parishioners will be accepted conditionally depending on

available openings. Final decision on acceptance will be sent in writing by August 15.

Parents interested in the two schools may obtain further information by contacting the RHCS school office during school hours, at 334-3770 or 334-5100.

Michael R. Yackiw Funeral Home

former manager of Kroll Funeral Home
1270 Norton Street (between Portland and Carter)
544-5000

HORAN MOVING & STORAGE

Local & Long Distance Moving
Office & Commercial Moving

FREE ESTIMATES

647-3227

50 Industrial Park Circle
Gates, N.Y.



Effective Living Seminar

An Effective Living Seminar will be offered May 9 to 11 at the Cenacle-Renewal Center. The seminar is a series of lectures and discussions aimed at overcoming negative attitudes. Those interested may contact the Cenacle, 693 East Avenue, Rochester, NY 14607. Telephone: 271-8755.



Do you or a Loved One Need HOME CARE?

Let us provide you with nurses, aides, homemakers, companions or live-ins. Our personnel are insured, bonded and prescreened.

Available 24 Hr. 7 day Nursing Service

UNLIMITED CARE, INC.

50 Chestnut Plaza

232-5501

IN LOVING MEMORY OF OUR FRIEND



FATHER HENRY A. ATWELL
1921-1980

GENESEE VALLEY
PENNSAVER INC.
Avon, N.Y.

CAMP

STELLA

MARIS

1980

OUR 54th YEAR

OF CHILDREN'S RESIDENT CAMPING EXPERIENCE

FOR BOYS

Ages 7 to 14 years

- A. June 29 to July 5
- B. July 6 to July 12
- C. July 13 to July 19
- D. July 20 to July 26

FOR GIRLS

Ages 7 to 14 years

- E. July 27 to Aug. 2
- F. Aug. 3 to Aug. 9
- G. Aug. 10 to Aug. 16
- H. Aug. 17 to Aug. 23

PARENTS — Register Early - Avoid the disappointment of your child not being able to attend

OPEN HOUSE

All Parents are invited to Camp Stella Maris June 8, 1980 from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. You may tour our facilities and meet the staff of both boys and girls encampments. Some refreshments will be available. Parents may also register their children that day for camp.

For Further Information Contact the Secretary - Camp Stella Maris
3052 East Lake Rd., Livonia, N.Y. 14487, Telephone 716-346-2243
An Accredited Camp of The American Camping Association