



## Kathleen Kircher Takes Post

Kathleen Kircher, a founder of the diocesan ministry to divorced, separated and widowed persons, and later its director, and director of Beginning Experience, has taken a post with Rochester General Hospital's Radiology Department.

The former Sister of St. Joseph also has served at St. Augustine's and St. Stanislaus's schools, DeSales High School in Geneva and Nazareth Academy.

In addition, she served as director of the diocesan Office of Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs.

She left the religious

congregation in 1980. She assumes her hospital duties on May 1.

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## A Nazareth Gathering

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## Sarah Child



All in the Family

## Life After Forty

This column, first printed in 1979, is being repeated at the request of readers.

Several good friends and one close relative turned 40 this past year. Some marked the event very quietly, others threw parties. All, I am willing to wager, approached the anniversary with some apprehension, if not outright fear.

From the vantage point of my own years (I preceded them ever so slightly), I can offer a few words of advice and maybe comfort to them and others approaching the turning point.

Forty, most of us

## Business in Diocese



Dennis J. Depczynski has been named advertising manager of Ajax Corp. Depczynski, his wife Mary Ann and three children live in Spencerport and are communicants at St. John's Church there where he is on the Parish Council. Ajax Corp. is a national supplier of electric motors and related electrical equipment.

discover, is not bad. In fact, it can be very good. Anticipation, we find, is far worse than the actual event.

Forty, you soon learn, is not, as commonly thought, the beginning of middle age. On the contrary, middle age is always 10 years older than you are on any given date.

Forty is the time when you acquire a little common sense and a great deal of courage. Perhaps it comes from the frequent counting of gray hair or smoothing out the crow's feet (also known as laugh lines) at the corners of the eyes.

At any rate, you discover you no longer feel compelled to take any lip from anybody, particularly authority figures to whom you've paid obeisance for too many years. These include the doctor who tells you you are five pounds heavier than the last time he saw you; the teacher who says it is all your fault your kid doesn't eat breakfast and gets disruptive by 11 a.m.; and the dentist who sneers when you ask for anesthetic to have your teeth cleaned.

Forty is when you discover it REALLY DOESN'T matter what others think of you; only what you yourself think.

At 40 you begin to take stock of what is truly important in your life. You find almost without trying that you can weed out the vice presidency sought after at the expense of time with your kids; the yearning for a different height, figure, face, hairline, etc.; the windfall that will rival the treasures of Tut's tomb.

At 40 you grasp securely the truth you've always suspected: There is no wealth greater than that afforded by a loving family and circle of friends; that physical, emotional and spiritual health are riches beyond compare.

At 40 your vision

suddenly clears and you realize that the lump of a nose you've always abhorred is really strong in character.

Forty gives you perspective and you can finally see how many good years you have left to do the things you really want to do and that dreams are not the prerogative of the young alone.

And, finally, at 40 you realize that you and the Almighty make a rather remarkable team, if from time to time you can only shut your mouth long enough to listen to your Sidekick.

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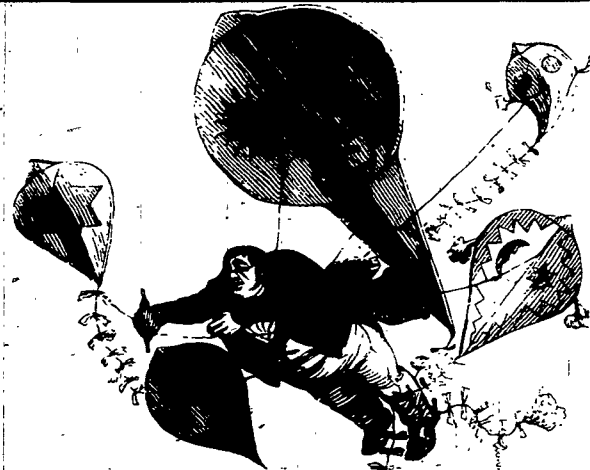
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