

# God's Happiness To Each Family

Following is an excerpt from a homily given by Pope John Paul II on family stability.

God says to every man: "Accept the life conceived by your action! Do not take steps to suppress it!"

Thus says God through the voice of His commandments and the voice of the Church. But he says it especially through the voice of conscience. The voice of conscience: it is unambiguous, no matter what may be done to keep from hearing it or to drown it out by men and women who refuse to listen to this straightforward and clear voice.



Workingmen, men who work hard, recognize this unambiguous voice of conscience. What they hear most clearly is precisely the connection between work and family.

Their work is for the family because work is for the sake of human beings (and not the other way around), and because the family — the family above all — is the special place of the human person. It provides the environment in which the person is conceived, is born and grows; the context in which the person assumes serious responsibilities and reaches fulfillment; the context of the person's earthly happiness and human hope.

Therefore, because I know the hearts of workingmen, their honesty and sense of responsibility, I voice my conviction that it is they especially who protect and strengthen these basic values of the person and of society: the solidarity of the family and respect for the life conceived in the mother's womb.

"Happy are they who dwell in your house!"

Dear brothers and sisters, I wish you happiness. I wish you the happiness that flows from a pure conscience. I wish you the happiness which the home brings. From the house in Nazareth belonging to Joseph, Mary and Jesus and from the humble workshop connected with it, I trace in my thoughts and in my heart a line that reaches into the modern factories where you work. I trace it even further: into your homes and your families.

May they be filled with the happiness that comes from God! May this happiness stand up to all the trials of life, which no human being on earth can avoid. Above all, may the human beings in your home and families develop to the full measure of their dignity.



Kitty and Mike Kolosvary, Pat Bell, and Jean Alward prepare for this year's garage sale. Last year the sale grossed \$5,000.

## Parents Offer Good Buys

The Aquinas Parents Association will be hosting a garage sale from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, May 15, and from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sunday, May 16, in the school gymnasium at the Dewey Avenue school. Father Michael Cerretto is faculty moderator of the event and Michael Kolosvary is chairing

the sale. Sue Duggan (254-4412) will be accepting baked goods hot from the oven for the two-day sale. Other items for sale will range from antiques to appliances to clothes and zucchini bread.

Last minute donations of saleable items will be accepted.



## Common Concerns

Dr. Anthony Lehman addresses a workshop on "Quality of Living" during a day-long program sponsored by De Paul Mental Health Services at St. Mary's Hospital. Dr. Lehman is assistant professor of psychiatry at the University of Rochester. More than 100 mental health professionals took part in the event, "Community Care of the Chronically Mentally Ill." The keynote address was given by Dr. John Romano, distinguished university professor of psychiatry, emeritus, at the University of Rochester. His talk was entitled, "On Those Who Care for the Chronically Mentally Ill."



## Tax Credit Argument Scheduled

A discussion on tuition tax credits will be aired at 9:30 a.m., on Sunday, May 16 on Channel 31.

The Diocesan Tuition Tax Credit Committee will be represented by Gina Ouwleen, past president of the Rochester Federation of Catholic School Parents. Mrs. Jan Packard, executive secretary of the Monroe County School Board Association will present a varying viewpoint.

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