

Scholars Will Gather At Merton Symposium

Robert E. Daggy, curator of the Thomas Merton Studies Center in Louisville, Ky., and chief of research for the Merton Legacy Trust, will be the featured speaker

at the opening of a two-day symposium on the late Thomas Merton, Oct. 17 and 18 at Nazareth College.

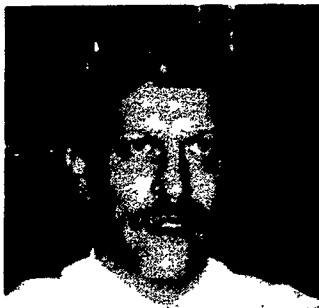
The symposium commemorates the 15th anniversary of

Merton's death in Bangkok, Thailand, and the 35th anniversary of the publication of his "The Seven Storey Mountain."

Daggy will speak 8 p.m., Oct. 17, in the Forum of the Otto A. Shults Community Center. His topic will be "The Seven Storey Mountain: The Book that Became a Best-Seller."

The next day, Peter J. Kountz, dean of students and associate professor of Religious and Classical Studies at the University of Rochester, will also speak about the book and "The Man Who Emerges from Its Pages," 4 p.m. also in the Forum.

That evening, Msgr. William Shannon, director of the Thomas Merton Society of Rochester and professor emeritus of Nazareth College, will address the topic, "Thomas Merton and the 1983 Pastoral Letter of the American Bishops on War and Peace," 8 p.m. in the Forum. Msgr. Shannon is also author of "Thomas



ROBERT DAGGY

Merton's Dark Path" and general editor of the Thomas Merton Letters.

In addition, the movie, "The Last Days of Thomas Merton," will be shown during the symposium.

The event is sponsored by the college's religious studies department and heritage society as well as the Merton society. No admission fee will be charged.

Diocese Planning Monthly Vesper Service

The Music Committee of the diocesan Liturgical Commission is planning a monthly Vesper Service (evening prayer) to support and inspire diocesan prayer.

The services will take place at 4 p.m., the second Sundays of the month, at Sacred Heart Cathedral, beginning Oct. 9.

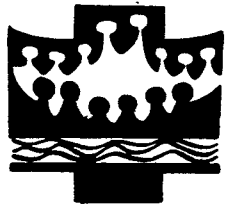
Father Robert Rice, associate pastor of the Church of the Assumption in

Fairport, will lead the prayer. The choir from St. Vincent De Paul Church in Churchville, under the direction of Helen Halligan and organist John Kubiniec, will accompany the sung prayer.

Music ministers for the Nov. 13 service will include the choir from St. Paul in Webster, directed by Jura Litchfield.

All are invited.

Insights In Liturgy



By Fr. Thomas P. Mull

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Wedding Jubilee Set

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The celebration, which includes a reception, is

Fertility Awareness Class Set

Fertility Awareness classes, sponsored by Natural Family Planning Education of Rochester, will be offered every month beginning Oct. 12 at St. Mary's Hospital.

The classes, an NFP release stated, "may be of special interest to adolescents; women experiencing pre-menstrual tension or pre-menopausal symptoms; and those with irregular cycles."

A \$15 fee includes two instructions, materials and follow-up for one year. Pre-registration is required and is made by calling the NFP office, 464-8705.

Deadline

Items intended for publication in At Your Parish must be written and at the Courier-Journal offices, 114 South Union St., Rochester, N.Y. 14607, before noon of Thursday preceding Wednesday publication.

sponsored by the Family Life Office. Couples desiring an invitation to the event are asked to notify their parish offices, which in turn forward names, anniversaries celebrated and addresses to the Family Life Office.

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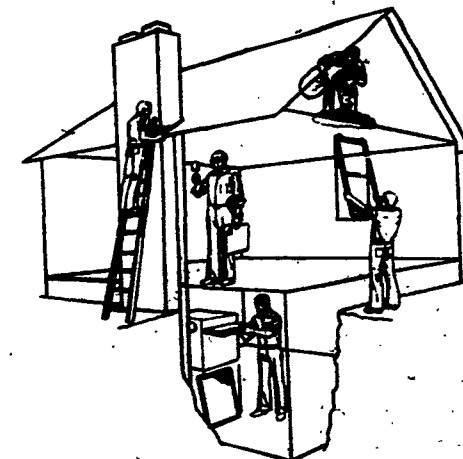
The Town of Greece has initiated the Greece Residential Improvement Program for its 7th year. Under this program you may be eligible for a subsidy that will pay up to 90% of your home repair and improvement costs. A 90% subsidy would mean that the Town could pay you \$2250 on improvements costing \$2500. Note: Maximum total that can be paid for all repairs is \$2500.00.

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6	9100	13200	20,250
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If you are going through a lending institution you must bring 3 estimates for each type of work you want done to one of the participating banks and fill out an application at the bank.

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