

Coretta Scott King Will Deliver Atwell Lecture At Family Life Conference

Coretta Scott King will be the main speaker at a special conference, "Challenges, Opportunities and Dilemmas: The Changing American Family," Sunday, April 8, at Mt. Olivet Baptist Church, 141 Adams St.

Mrs. King, president of the Martin Luther King Jr. Center for Non-Violent Social Change, will deliver the 1984 Father Henry Atwell Memorial Lecture at that time.

The program is under theegis of the Rochester Commission on Interfaith Cooperation; an assembly of churches and synagogues, a joint agency of the Jewish Community Federation and the Genesee Ecumenical Ministries.

Rabbi Judea B. Miller is chairman of the conference.

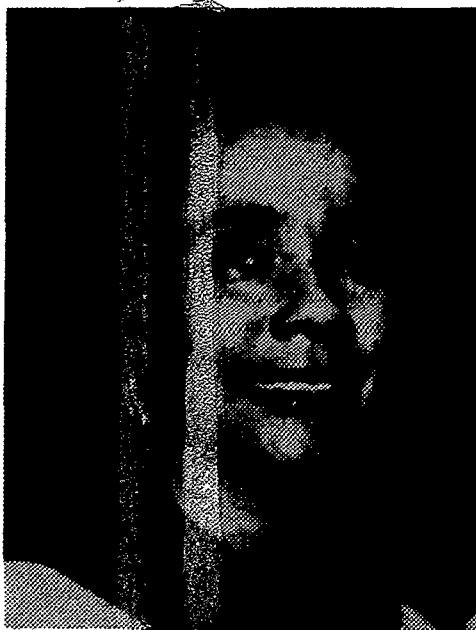
"That the family today is in peril is generally acknowledged. With rising problems of divorce, separation, single parent families, changing sex ethics, families of all

racess and religions are challenged now as rarely in the past," Rabbi Miller commented recently.

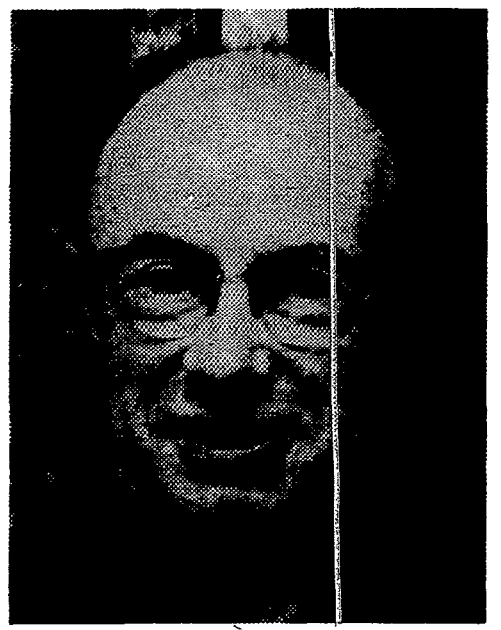
He said the conference will raise such questions as "What is the role of religious institutions in this area? How could and should they respond to radically new styles of life, changed values, new situations and problems?"

The conference will open at 3 p.m. Pre-registration is required for the workshops, buffet supper and Mrs. King's talk. Those interested are asked to contact either GEM, 232-6530; or JCF, 325-3393.

The keynote session will be moderated by William Johnson, director of the Urban League of Rochester, and will include remarks by Estella Evans, professor of social work at Nazareth College; Dr. Martin Nacman, director of social work at Strong Memorial Hospital; and M. Duncan Stanton, director of the family program at the University of Rochester.



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Fifteen workshops are also slated that afternoon, featuring well-known names in religion in this area. Among the topics to be discussed are: Aging and the Family; Creating Ways to Strengthen Families; Disruption, Violence and Discipline in the School; Economic Stress and the Family; How Can Single Parents Fit into Religious Congregations? How Congregations Can Better Serve Families; Interfaith Marriage: Can it Work? Issues in Remarriage: the "Blended Family;" Living with Different

Sexual Choices (including gays and lesbians); Resolving Conflict in the Family; Sandwiched families: Young Adults/Parents/Grandparents; Sharing the Pain of Separation and Divorce; Sickness, Death and Loss in the Family; Teaching Right and Wrong in a Changing World; Women in Transition.

Funding for the event came from the Father Atwell Institute on Human Unity, the Daisy Marquis Jones Foundation and the Monroe Foundation.

Marty UR Speaker; A First for Old St. Mary's Included in 2-Day Event

Martin E. Marty, distinguished church historian, will deliver the 1984 Beaven Lecture at the University of Rochester Saturday, March 24, as the opening event of a two-day interfaith celebration.

Marty, winner of the 1971 National Book Award, will discuss "Pointless but Significant: Worship, Beauty and the Academy" at 2 p.m., Saturday, in the University Interfaith Chapel on Wilson Boulevard.

All programs in the two-day celebration are free and open to the public.

Marty, a Lutheran minister and former president of the American Catholic Historical Association, also will preach at the 11 a.m. U. of R. Protestant service, Sunday in the Interfaith Chapel and at two services of "A Vesper Service of Psalms," composed in 1982 by Peter J. Kountz, dean of students and associate professor of religious studies (part-time) at Rochester, and Andrew P. Tecson, a Chicago attorney.

The vesper services will take place at 4 p.m., Saturday, in the Interfaith Chapel and at 2 p.m., Sunday, at Old St. Mary's Church in downtown Rochester.

The performance in the Rochester church will mark the first time "Vesper Service of Psalms" is presented in a Roman Catholic church. The program is a modern liturgical service shaped by contemporary American jazz. It contains congregational singing of antiphons, organ and choir music, some chant, some ensemble music and an acappella canticle for choir. Father James Lawlor, pastor, will preside at th Old St. Mary's Church service. Sister Susanne Hoffman, Catholic chaplain at thr university, will preside at the Interfaith Chapel service.

Bishop Clark, NE Region Join in Prayer

Bishop Matthew H. Clark will celebrate Evening Prayer with members of the diocesan Northeast Regional Conference, 7:30 p.m., April 2 at St. John of Rochester Church, Wickford Way and Route 31 in Fairport.

The event is part of the diocesan celebration of Crossroads II, the Lenten program, the theme of which is "Renewed Hearts: Renewed Church."

All parishioners from the Northeast Region have been invited to attend the event. Coffee and fellowship will follow the service.



First Ball!

The Knights of Columbus opened their 59th annual national bowling tournament for the eastern region last Saturday, March 17, at Maiden Lanes, Greece. From left, Thomas F. Greteman, president, K. of C. National Bowling Association; Donald M. Holmes, Grand Knight of the host council, Trinity Council #4618 of Webster; and William J. Sansone, K. of C. State Deputy, roll out the first balls of the tournament. More than 3200 bowlers from 130 cities and 19 states are expected to participate in the eight-week tourney.



Reunion Planned

St. Boniface Parish on Gregory Street is planning a reunion of former parishioners and students on Saturday, May 26 at the Mapledale Party House. Over 1,000 invitations have been sent out thanks to the work of the planning committee, from left, Joanne Brownyard, co-chairperson; Sister Mary Louise O'Brien, SSND, school principal; Rita Kramer; Father Richard Brickler, pastor; and Ed Sloan, co-chairperson. A parish open house is scheduled at 3:30 p.m. the day of the reunion, followed by a special liturgy at 5 p.m. and the dinner at 7:30 p.m. Deadline for reservations is April 15. For more information, contact the school office at 271-6370.

Readers Installed

Mahweh, N.J. Bishop Robert F. Garner, Auxiliary Bishop of Newark, presided March 18 at the installation of 20 seminarians into the ministry of Reader. Four of those seminarians are studying for the Diocese of Rochester.

Fun Night Set

Nazareth Hall, 180 Raines Park, is holding "An Evening of Fun and Entertainment" at 8 p.m., Thursday, March 24. The evening will include an auction and Continental breakfast. Public is invited.

Legionaires Liturgy Scheduled

The Acies, an annual consecration of active and auxiliary members of the Legion of Mary, Southern Tier Curia, is scheduled at 3 p.m. on Sunday, March 25, at St. Joseph's Church, 305 N. Main St., Athens, Pa.

Father Bartholomew J. O'Brien, who has been spiritual director of the Southern Tier Curia for almost 30 years, will be retiring from this assignment at this time.

Father Daniel F. Holland, pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Elmira, will succeed Father O'Brien and be invested at the Acies ceremony. A social hour will follow in the church hall.



Some Irish Spirit

Margo Barry of St. Augustine's Parish and Barbara Trudeau of St. Monica's braved the oft-bitter cold last Saturday to show their parish pride in the annual St. Patrick's Day parade downtown.

O'Connor Angry

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most confess, for those politicians, political figures or political campaigners, who...not because of their own personal convictions, but deliberately and intentionally exploit the political potential of this issue, try to sit on the fence with this business of "I personally am opposed to abortion, but,

after all, we must have a choice."

In the March 14 Times interview, Archbishop O'Connor reiterated, "I very sincerely believe that an abortion mentality, structured and legalized in this country, does not differ in essence from that mentality that legalized putting Jews to death in Nazi Germany."

Bishop Offers

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Annunciation (celebrated this year on March 24) or on Sunday, March 25, the Third Sunday of Lent.

Father Thomas Mull, from the Office of Liturgy, has suggested that the act be offered at a special service, such as the recitation of the rosary, or the celebration of the Liturgy of the Hours. "It also corresponds nicely to the liturgy for the feast of the Annunciation and might be done at the conclusion of that celebration." He further stated that individual parishes might creatively develop times when it could be done. This allows for parishes to gather in a fashion most suitable to their needs.

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