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compiling a new folk-music hymnal several years ago for St. John the Evangelist Parish, Humboldt Street, Sister Caulfield spent nearly \$700 obtaining the necessary copyright permissions.

From her experience of almost 30 years directing music at St. John's, Sister Caulfield credits music publishing companies for creating a broader awareness of copyright restrictions. "If we don't pay for this, composers and authors don't get their rightful income," she explained. "It's a matter of law, but also a matter of justice."

The justice of paying for copyright permission is apparently not so obvious to all parish personnel. Whether because of tight budgets or a lack of personnel to handle the paperwork, many musicians opt to simply copy and take their chances, according to Jerry McDowell. "I see an awful lot of copying going on," said the music director at Mother of Sorrows Parish. "I think musicians are getting very lax. It's a lot easier to copy than to get permission."

In part, McDowell — who has worked as a music director for more than 30 years — also blames the increase in copyright violations on rising music prices and the increasing variety of music parishes demand.

"A long time ago, we had certain standard hymns. Now, with all the folk and contemporary (music), you have to be very versatile ... You have to have something for all ages," he observed. "Nothing is the same from one church to another."

Meanwhile, McDowell noted, churches of all denominations are struggling to stretch limited budgets. "A book that was \$2.95 a few years ago is \$6.95 now," he said.

— Teresa A. Parsons

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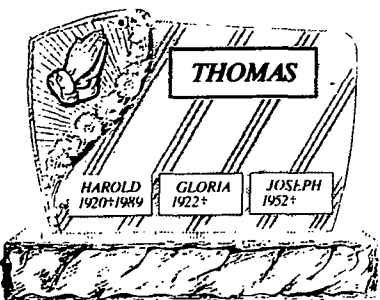
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music induces Big Mac attacks.

Repp also pursues that vision through Faith and Family, a non-profit organization that tries to broaden knowledge of the Gospels and the church's social teaching; a quarterly newsletter entitled "Foundations;" and a religious-education program, entitled "The Good News Program," which Repp said is due for release by Tabor Publishing next year.

With so many dreams yet to realize, royalty money from his '60s material would be useful; but Repp doubts he'll ever collect any. "I can't imagine that this is ever going to mean to me financially anything more than a set of legal bills," he said.

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Abbie Hoffman to speak at St. John Fisher

Political activist Abbie Hoffman will speak out on student protests at 8 p.m. Monday, April 17, at St. John Fisher College's Basil Auditorium, 3690 East Ave., Rochester. The free lecture is sponsored by the student government.

Hoffman, a self-proclaimed dissident and community organizer, has been arrested 53 times. He has involved himself in many issues over the years, including civil rights, the Vietnam War and drug testing.

He has written nine books, including *Woodstock Nation*, *Steal This Book*, and

Steal The Urine Test.

Hoffman gained national prominence in 1968 when, along with six others, he was accused of conspiring to incite a riot outside the Democratic National Convention in Chicago. A federal jury found Hoffman innocent of the charge in what came to be known as the "Chicago Seven" trial.

He currently works with several environmental groups throughout the Great Lakes northeast region. Hoffman is also interested in Central America, and has led several delegations to that region.

Supper, spring sale set for sisters' motherhouse

The Sisters of Mercy will host their annual spring sale and roast beef supper on Saturday, April 15, from 4-8 p.m. at the motherhouse, 1437 Blossom Rd., Rochester.

Proceeds are earmarked for new windows, the sisters' infirmary and Lourdes Hall. The sale will feature homemade bread, baked goods, candy and handmade articles. A family eucharistic liturgy will be celebrated at 5 p.m. in the motherhouse chapel. Supper: tickets — \$5 for adults, \$4 for senior citizens and \$2.50 for children under 10 — can be bought at the door or in advance by calling 716/288-2710.

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