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Ann,
We need milk
& bread. Love,
Harry

JERRY'S
AT
PLAY REHEARSAL
WITH AMY.

Mom is working
late tonight so
fill your own
dinner. Dad

HARRY—
LECTOR'S
MEETING
MOVED TO
THURSDAY
AT 7:30.

DAD —
I NEED A
RIDE HOME
FROM WORK
AT 9:30 Rich

HECTIC SCHEDULES MAKE HOME LIFE MORE COMPLEX

CHURCH EXAMINES MINISTRIES TO FAMILIES BY LEE STRONG

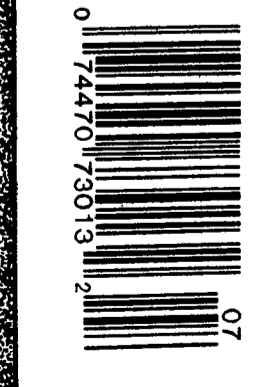
Shari and Dennis Fischer entered marriage in 1965 with an ideal of what their family life would be. According to this idealized vision, a husband's job paid enough to support the family. The wife worked at home, caring for the children and tending to most of the household chores.

Shari Fischer, currently the Diocese of Rochester's regional coordinator for marriage preparation in Monroe and Livingston counties, worked until the birth of their first child in 1966. She remained at home thereafter to take care of the children and the house.

But by 1974, the couple began to see that reality did not conform to their ideal. Money concerns forced Shari Fischer to return to work. "I realized things were changing," she recalled. "Things were more expensive. I had to go back to work."

After she re-entered the work force, the Fischers had to adjust their schedules to balance work, social and church activities, she noted. In addition to redistributing household chores, Shari and Dennis recognized that their roles had to change as well. Initially, her husband had a hard time accepting the fact that his wife had to work, Shari Fischer recalled.

"What it was saying to him was that he did not earn enough to support the family," she said. "It affected his self-image."
The couple worked through those problems after open and honest discussion, Fischer said.
The Fischers' past and continuing experiences re-
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DAD CAR
21 DAY
LEASE? Rich

GRANDMA
NEEDS A RIDE
TO DOCTOR
RUSKIN'S
OFFICE ON
WEDNESDAY
2:30 PM. Rich

LEAVE BA
BOR KEY
UNDER
FOR EL
TOMORR

MOM
I S
DAYS
BEN SO I
WORK TODAY
& I'M OFF
SATURDAY Rich



Marriage and family life
The Catholic Courier's annual marriage and family section deals with everything from how to get along with in-laws to interesting honeymoons. The special pull out begins after page 8.