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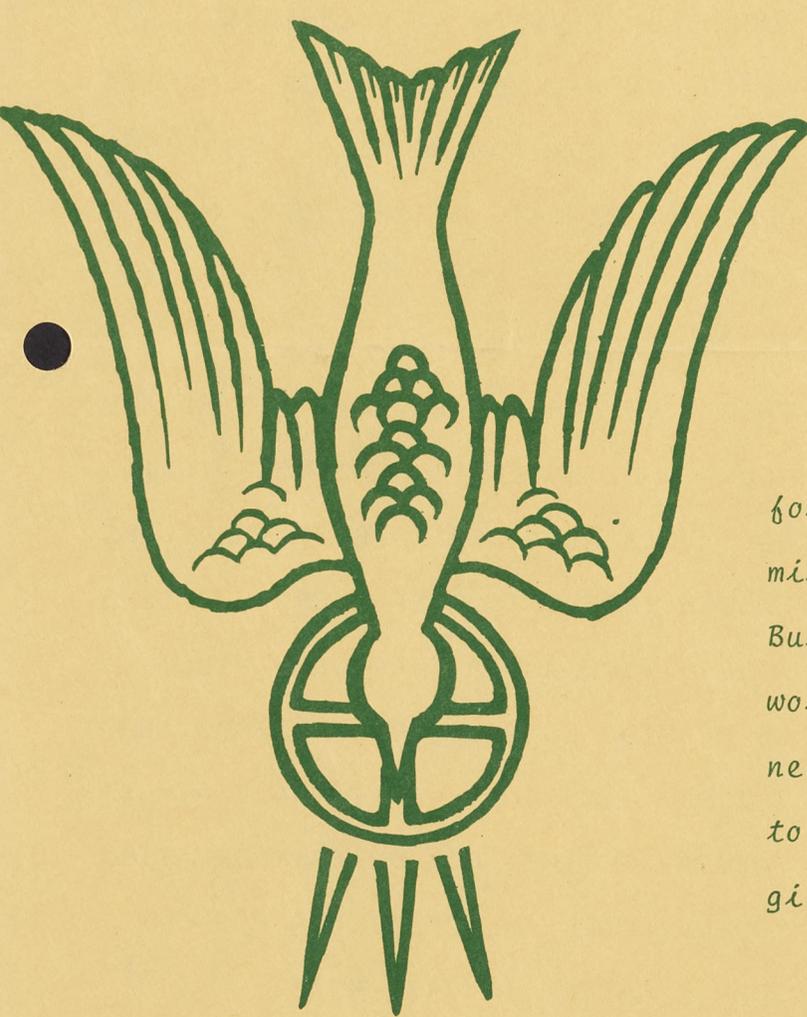
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“THE SPIRIT IS
DESCENDING
LIKE A DOVE
AND LIGHTING
UPON HIM” Matt. 3:16



Catholics should always be searching for ways to fulfill their Christian mission, their life of Christian service. But no one is ever alone in this important work. To help us recognize and answer the needs of others, the Holy Spirit comes to us in Confirmation with His sevenfold gifts.

On March 28, 1974 twelve members of our community will receive the Holy Spirit in the sacrament of Confirmation.

Archbishop William Baum D.D. will confer the sacrament on these young adults at St. John's Church in Forest Glen at 7:30 P.M. Since our community

will all benefit by the spiritual growth of these youngsters. All are encouraged and welcome to come and share with the newly Confirmed. Since we need one another for spiritual support as well as gifts and fruits from the Holy Spirit, let us all in a strong body give both the bodily support as well as the spiritual and show our youngster we really are happy that they have now received the Sacrament of Spiritual maturity.

After the Mass and Confirmation a reception is being planned for all in the Knights of Columbus Hall. All present will have the opportunity to congratulate the candidates and also meet the Archbishop. Since this is a major function of our Church we hope to see many of the children's friends and members of small Deaf community. Mark the date and time on you calander and plan to attend.

M Y A O

BECAUSE OF THE SNOW AND INCLEMENT WEATHER IT WAS NECESSARY TO CANCEL THE WINE AND CHEESE PARTY LAST MONTH. HOWEVER, THE PARTY WILL BE HELD THIS MONTH. M'S SOPHIE EASTON, THE PRESIDENT ANNOUNCES THAT IT WILL BE HELD ON FRIDAY EVENING ON MARCH 8TH AT THE CATHOLIC DEAF CENTER ON BUCKNELL DRIVE IN SILVER SPRING. ADMISSION WILL BE \$1.50 FOR MEMBERS AND \$3.00 FOR NON MEMBERS. MEMBERSHIP DUES MAY BE PAID AT THE DOOR. MEMEBRSHIP FEW IS \$3.00 A YEAR FOR SINGLE AND \$5.00 PER COUPLE.

THIS WINE AND CHEESE PARTY IS FOR THE YOUNG ADULTS BETWEEN THE AGES 15 TO 30. JUST AS A REMINDER IF THERE ARE ENOUGH INTERESTED TEENAGERS THE CLUB WILL DIVIDE AND A TEEN CLUB WILL BE FORMED. SO TELL YOUR FRIENDS ABOUT THE NEW TIME AND PLAN TO HAVE A MOST ENJOYABLE TIME. FOR MORE INFORMATION YOU MAY CALL THE CENTER OR M'S SOPHIE EASTON TTY 474-4975.

REMINDER REMEMBER REMINDER

Just a reminder that subcription dues to help pay the cost to put out our monthly newsletter is due. Please don't let it slip by. Check your last monthly newsletter for forms. We are asking \$2.00 per year from all. Thank you for your cooperation.



*Here's how
you can make
a wise move!...*

International catholic deaf association (ICDA) is an ideal organization; all Catholic Deaf men and women 21 years of age and over will want to belong. It was first established in July 1949. There are 105 Chapters at present, dotted throughout the U.S., Canada and abroad. Each chapter provides excellent social, recreation and athletic programs and monthly Communion sign Masses for the deaf in their own diocese. They dish up F-U-N- fests-- Picnics, captioned films, grand balls, softball, basketball, volleyball, bowling games and many more activities.

Over 150 priests, working with hearing handicapped people who are proficient in sign language, are also members of the ICDA. Take advantage of them to be good practicing Catholics on order to save souls and be responsible for a useful daily life.

Membership for the ICDA is open to all Catholic deaf men and women. The fee is merely \$3.00 annually for single persons and \$5.00 for married couple.

Since we here in Washington, D.C. belong to Chapter #29 one of the oldest Chapters established in 1955, we desire all our people to become members of ICDA. In the past year we have increased our membership by over 100 families. Many of you are paidthrough a generous benefactor last year. Our personal opinion is that all our members should be apart since we are a Chapter. Therefore the envelop enclosed in this month letter is for your renewal. This also will include your subsciption the "The Deaf Catholic", a paper put out four times a year from ICDA. If your membership renewal is not made then we (Catholic Center) will pay it. M aking it more difficult for our limited funds. (cont, on bottom next page)

LADIES LADIES LADIES

Ladies who would be interested in forming a group of women to help the Church, help each other and enjoy each others company are invited to come to a meeting on April 5, 1974 at 7:30 P.M. at the Catholic Center. After a short meeting to explain the purpose of the group we will play cards and have refreshments. All interested ladies share cars, save gas for that night and plan to come. A reminder will also be in next months newsletter.

SYMPATHY +++++
To the Zimmerman family on the death of their Son and to the Boswell Family. May their souls and all the souls of the Faithful departed rest in peace.

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We hope you will cooperate in this matter. Membership Cards will be sent to you.

ICDA MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

CHAPTER 29 HOLY NAME CENTER

Name _____

Address _____

single \$3.00

Couple \$5.00

- Feb. 27 - Mass for CCD Teachers Center
- Feb. 28 - Ash Wednesday
- March 3 - Mass at St. John's 11.30 A.M
- March 8 - Wine & Cheese Party MYAO
- March 10 - Mass - Children's St. John's 11:30 A.M.
- March 11- Sign Class
- March 17 - Mass 11:30 A.M. ICDA Meeting Pot Luck Dinner
- March 18 - Sign Class
- March 23 - Mass St. John's 11:30 A.M. St. Thomas More Va. 8:00 P.M.
- March 25 - Sign Class
- March 27 - Confirmation Practice
- March 28-- Confirmation Reception following in Knights of Columbus Hall 7:30 P.M.
- March 31 - Mass St. John's 11:30 A.M. Forest Glen

LENTEN FAST REGULATIONS

It appears that someone made

a mistake. According to a letter received by all the Priest we are informed that the Fast regulations for the season of Lent has been misunderstood. The following are laws concerning fast and abstinence laws of the Church.

1. Ash Wednesday & Good Friday -

These are days of strict fast and abstinence. This means that meat may not be eaten at all and that only one complete meal is it be eaten.

2. All other Fridays except Good Friday

There should be NO meat eaten on all Fridays of Lent.

These laws are serious and are to be followed effective this March 24, 1974. These apply to children from the age of 14 up to and including adults to the age of 65. If for some reason these can not be followed then the individual should see a priest.

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OFFICE OF THE CHAPLAIN

My dear Friends,

I am sorry that I could not write last month but as you see we were splitting with news. Now seem to be the calm before the storm.

At any rate we could perhaps look to the upcoming season of Lent to draw some strength and support. All of us need a time when we can sort of step aside from pur hurried life and set our minds and hearts on our need to pray. More then that we really do have not only a need but a responsibility to do penance. The Church reminds us of this through Advent and Lent. If we really try to suffer, to make sacrifices as Our Lord did then that Easter celebration will be even a greater one of joy for us. Let us then together this Lent try to pray together more often, especially at Mass. To offer our sacrifices and trials of every day life, to make reperation for our sins so that we may sing at the top of our voices ALLELUIA on this Easter Day.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Jay

