

## Love and Marriage

In the previous article in this series, we drew your attention to a very important element in husband-wife relations. This element is so very important to your mutual understanding that we are going to recall it to you. If you know about this fact, it may save you many tears, many heartaches, maybe many quarrels.

Here it is:

A man thinks, speaks and acts according to a man's way of thinking.

A woman thinks, speaks and acts according to a woman's way of thinking.

One is not superior or inferior to the other. They are just different. Two different approaches to the very same situation, two different perspectives of the very same view. Both see the same thing; both use the same words, but he sees it from the masculine point of view and describes it and deals with it according to that masculine view; she sees it from the feminine point of view and describes it and deals with it according to that feminine view.

The mistake they may both make is in expecting their views to coincide exactly. They just don't.

Actually, it's not too surprising that husbands and wives differ like that. After all, they are very different physically; it is to be expected that such differences would extend beyond the physical into the intellectual, emotional, etc. (To indicate the extent of the physical difference, we note an item we read recently that, by analysis of a single cell, it's possible to determine whether it came from a male body or a female body.)

We mention all this so that you will know these basic differences exist — and to take this into account when you discuss matters. If you do so, you'll find your discussions very beneficial and interesting.

By all means discuss things between you but keep these points in mind:

Each of you thinks and speaks according to the pattern of your own sex.

Each of you should make allowances for this fact, and not yield to annoyances if your viewpoint is not accepted automatically and instantly.

The aim of your discussions is to reach, amiably, an amicable agreement. Your mutual desire and will is to deepen your husband-wife friendship by friendly discussion. And for a practical guide, look up the epistle of today's Mass, this Mass for your benefit, right now, today, in 1964.



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## Our Parish Bulletin

### The Holy Family

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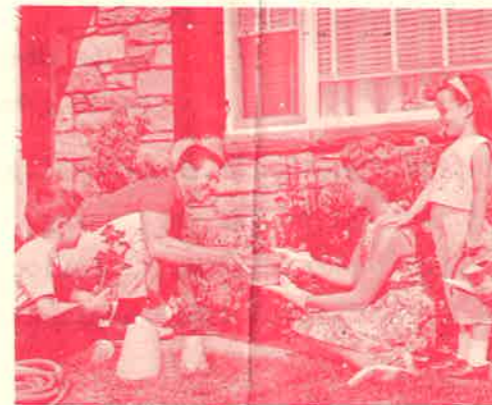
On November 1, we honour all the saints — not only the canonized, capital S Saints but also all the uncanonized, small s saints who make up most of Heaven's population. These "small-s" saints are our own relatives and friends whose lives were quite unspectacular but were generally in harmony with God's Commandments.

In a somewhat similar way, as we honour the Holy Family today, we also honour all holy families, for the virtues of the Holy Family are found in some measure in every family that can be called holy.

What are some of these virtues by which you can judge whether your own family is a holy one? Briefly, if everyone in your family is in the state of sanctifying grace, you have the minimum requirement for being classed as a holy family.

But sanctifying grace or Divine Life (whichever you want to call it) is not an anaemic, listless thing. It is vitally alive, alert, seeking expression by your kindness towards others, by your fearless standing up for what is right.

Your family, like every other family, should have hopes and ambitions — family goals — shared by all the family and worked for by all the family. But, obviously, it is urgent that your family goals be right ones, and so your foremost



goal should be to set up a holy home atmosphere as the training ground for eternity. (Despite the scoffers, it is in the home where the Christian virtues are practised by all that peace and happiness are most likely to be found.)

Probably, your family life and mine is too unspectacular and too full of routine problems to ever win awards as "family of the year" but that is not important, anyway. What is priceless is that the pattern of our family living shall be governed by sanctifying grace and mutual love: "A new commandment I give to you: that you love one another as I have loved you."

Immaculate Conception Parish

Chapel Point

Rexton

South Branch

Rev Herbert Grattan, Pastor.

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Feast of the Holy Family .....Jan.12th,1964

Catechism classes will resume this afternoon at one o'clock.

A new series of Whist Parties will begin in the Parish Hall on Wednesday, January 15th at 8 o'clock. Whist prizes are needed - anyone wishing to donate prizes may give them to the President of C.W.L. or leave them at the rectory.

There will be a Baby Clinic on Thursday, January 16th, at the usual time and place.

There will be a Whist Party in the Parish Hall on Monday evening for the Junior Hockey Team. A Door Prize of \$5.00 will be given. All are invited to attend.

Catechism for High School Students:

South Branch: Friday at 7 p.m.

Rexton: Saturday at 6.30 p.m.

Basic Education Classes for unemployed persons will be conducted in the Parish Hall beginning January 20th.

On January 14th, those desiring to follow these classes are requested to fill out their applications here in the Hall.

Today is Communion Sunday for members of the Holy Name Society.

High Masses for the Week.

Sun. 10.30 Mr & Mrs Patrick Carberry & deceased members  
by Mrs Annie Whitty.

Mon. Hubert LeBlanc - Mr & Mrs J Albert Robichaud

Tues. Ronald J Murphy - Ray & Evelyn McInerney

Wed. Mrs William Robichaud - Mary Hickey

Thurs. Arthur Elward - Branch 30 Canadian Legion

Fri. James Allain - Lionel Blanchard

Sat. Anna Belle Maloney - Daughters.

Server this week: Paul Robichaud

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If you are a parent or prospective parent, this week's Our Sunday Visitor feature article will be of vital interest. Read "Raising Children....An important Career" now appearing in Our Sunday Visitor.

On this Feast of the Holy Family, you will find several articles directed toward helping us improve family life in today's Our Sunday Visitor. Be sure to get your copy at the church door today.

Next Saturday, January 18th the Church Unity Octave begins. During these eight days, each morning after mass special prayers will be offered for the union of all christians. Make a special effort to attend holy mass during this Unity Octave to pray with catholics over the world for the union of all christians.

God Bless You.