

# Church needs to question students

Religion at university should hand students questions, not answers, say four campus chaplains.

The churches haven't done a good job in preparing students for university Christianity, said Rev. Barry Moore, United Church chaplain.

"Many kids still live with a Grade 2 faith, so when they get clobbered on a few details they throw out everything."

"Religion is being discarded too quickly," said Rev. H. J. Keil, Lutheran chaplain. "We try to cause a probing and questioning of this discarding."

"But there's a bunch of conservative kids that want to hang onto what they have and not grow at all," said Rev. Moore.

"They want to keep religion as a sort of holy huddle, a little sacred preserve. We try to break this down."

"Students must be helped to see university as it is," agreed Rev. Murdith McLean, Anglican chaplain.

"Parents may expect the church to protect their child from the atheistic onslaught of the university, but we're just not around to do that anymore."

Rev. McLean said he finds he has much less contact with vocationally-oriented students than with those who are "looking around."

"The professionally-trained people generally are not religiously open," he said.

"Their feelings and thoughts are not shaken up by the university. I call them the 'innocent people.'"

Pastor Keil said, "The university parish is not a baby-sitting service."

"We want students here to continue their search for reasons for being, to think more deeply about questions they raise," he said.

"Too many students think we're sort of an institutionalized church having neither the time nor understanding for them."

"And of course the pressure of university and exams keeps many students away. It isn't voluntary."

"We recognize our first responsibility is to the university," said Pastor Keil.

Rev. Moore agreed. "We are not

working against the university. There is no better place to get the fat and waste trimmed off us."

"Religious conflicts around the world are accentuated here, and it is exciting to meet this head on," said Rev. Moore.

"We do not offer an escape, but try to help kids take their environment seriously."

"That's why I'm happy to be here, and thankful that my church sets me free to experiment and try new things," he said.

The chaplains suggested there are a variety of difficulties in getting to know students.

"The problems vary with the students," said Rev. R. A. Pendergast, chaplain of St. Joseph's College and a professor of economics at the U of A.

"They test you at first, and it takes a while until they know if you're sincere."

Referring to the six other priests in St. Joseph's, he said, "We are all very ordinary; just human beings. There is no magic involved in what we do."

He emphasized that students are free to do what they want about attending services. There is no compulsion. But at Sunday's 11 a.m. Mass, a hootennany-type service, they are "packing them in the place."



**LEGS ARE IN**—The Waukegan fashion show Monday, 12 noon, will highlight other "in" clothes. The show will be held in the SUB theatre lobby.

## Supervisors replace SUB living-in members

There are no living-in members in SUB this year because the planners felt it unnecessary, says Bryan Clark, students' union business manager.

A supervisory staff has replaced these people, and is on duty from the time students' union offices close until the building is closed, he said. They are responsible for the same duties as the living-in members were in the old SUB.

Last year the living-in members cared for the building when supervisors were not on duty.

Peter Amerongen, building supervisor, said he thought living-in members would be impractical in a building the size of SUB.

"The caretaking staff takes care of the building after it closes," he said.

He saw no way in which the vandalism that occurred recently could have been prevented, as the building supervisor "can't be everywhere at once, and obviously vandals are going to make sure they are not being watched."

The duties of the building supervisors are to make sure the meeting rooms are prepared for scheduled meetings, set up public address systems, lock rooms after meetings and patrol the building regularly.

The new supervisory staff was chosen from among applicants through interviews with students' union president, and the business and general managers.

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## U of T students' council votes down motion to support Toronto anti-draft program

TORONTO (CUP)—The University of Toronto students' council will not support the Toronto Anti-draft Program.

The council voted 24-21 against the program last week after a heated three hour debate.

The point in question was not the principle of supporting anti-draft programs but whether a council member should act from a personal conviction.

"To vote for this resolution would be to stab our neighbor and protector in the back," said Joe Genovesse of the Campus Edward Burke Society.

"We believe draft dodgers are cowards and slackers who would rather come here than go out and fight in the mud. If called

to defend Canada they would run out the back door to Russia.

"I'm sure some would feel more at home there."

The anti-draft program aids draft-dodgers in coming to Canada and getting adjusted. The program has received support from several campus groups and the United Church board of evangelism and social service.

Dr. Paul Hock said the TADP is unable to supply information to potential draft dodgers.

The group receives about 10 telephone calls and 20 letters daily requesting information on moving to Canada he said. But no unsolicited information is distributed.

"You can vote for the humanistic aspects of the program without committing yourself on its political implication he stated.

## Official notice

A Students' Union by-election will be held November 3, 1967.

OFFICES to be contested are the following:  
Vice-President of The Students' Union,  
Science Representative.

All full members of The Students' Union, may nominate and elect the Vice-President, but only full members enrolled in the Faculty of Science may nominate and elect the Science Representative.

Nominations will be received in The Students' Union Office, second floor, Students' Union Building, from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, October 25, 1967. Blank nomination forms are available in The Students' Union Office: it is not necessary to use the form provided, but all information requested thereon must be included on any nomination paper.

Further information may be obtained from the returning officer. Detailed regulations may from time to time be posted in the main lobby of The Students' Union Building.

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