

MASS OF THANKSGIVING
CELEBRATING THE
FORTY-FIFTH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY
OF

JOHN AND MARGARET DOWNES



HOLY ROSARY CHAPEL
SYRACUSE

SUNDAY, AUGUST 18TH., 1985

ELEVEN OCLOCK A.M.

FIRST READING

Ecclesiasticus 26:1-4, 16-21

Happy the husband of a really good wife
the number of his days will be doubled.

A perfect wife is the joy of her husband,
he will live out the years of his life in
peace.

A good wife is the best of portions,
reserved for those who fear the Lord;

rich or poor, they will be glad of heart,
cheerful of face, whatever the season.

The grace of a wife will charm her
husband,
her accomplishments will make him the
stronger.

A silent wife is a gift from the Lord,
no price can be put on a well-trained
character.

A modest wife is a boon twice over,
a chaste character cannot be weighted
on scales.

Like the sun rising over the mountains of
the Lord
is the beauty of a good wife in a well-kept
house.

Thanks be to God.

Mass was followed
by a big party at
Bellevue Club -
courtesy of all
our children