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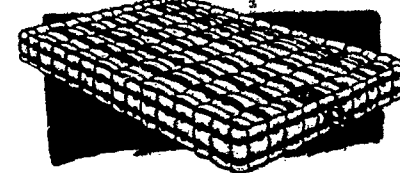
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### Society For The Propagation Of The Faith To Be Organized

Right Reverend Bishop Thomas F. Hickey has designated next Sunday, May 2, as Mission Sunday in the Diocese of Rochester. In a pastoral letter he says:—

The great purpose of the Catholic Church is the extension of the Kingdom of Christ on earth. From the very first days of Christianity the Bishops and priests of the Church have been zealous in this labor for God and for souls, and at times against what appeared like insurmountable obstacles. Like Saint Francis Xavier, the Patron of missionaries, their ceaseless cry has been "Give us souls". Promoting and urging these missionary activities has always been the Vicar of Christ, the Successor of Saint Peter. It was the Pope who sent missionaries from Rome into various parts of Europe in the early centuries, and it is he who is now urging the general advance of the Church in China, in India, in Africa, and indeed on every horizon.

Centuries ago the very rich and powerful of this world were the privileged ones in giving material aid to the missions. The princely and royal families of Europe gave the alms to bring missionaries to fields of labor and to maintain them there. But during the past hundred years the interest of the faithful at large has been enlisted in the support of the missions. All, even the humblest, can have a share and a privilege in the work of missionaries.

A little more than one hundred years ago at the suggestion of a missionary bishop in this country, a small group in France formed a society called The Society for the Propagation of the Faith for the purpose of helping his missions. During the period of a century this society has grown to huge proportions, and on its hundredth birthday our Holy Father, Pope Pius XI, elevated it to the character of a Pontifical Society and placed its headquarters in Rome.

Our Holy Father has decreed that there should be established in every diocese and in each parish of every diocese a branch of The Society for the Propagation of the Faith. By this means His Holiness gives the privilege of every member of the Church to cooperate with the missionaries who are struggling against such apparently overwhelming odds in far-off lands. It is a great privilege for clergy and laity to take part in this missionary work.

But aside from the privilege there is also the great need for help for these mission works of many years standing. Letters are coming from bishops and priests in the foreign field begging for help to be sent to their missions. During the past twenty-five years over three million native Africans have been brought into the Church over two and one half million Chinese about three million inhabitants of India. And in the mission fields there are at present over 16,000 priests laboring, and about 40,000 sisters are giving their lives in the cause of Christ. All these looking to The Society for the Propagation of the Faith for aid, and they say that unless aid is forthcoming to them, they fear that the missions, built up at a tremendous cost and sacrifice, will suffer.

I am now designating Sunday, May 2, of this year as Mission Sunday in the Diocese of Rochester, and I ask the faithful, particularly the children, to have this intention in their prayers, and in receiving their Eucharistic Lord on that day to pray for His blessing on the missions. Sunday a membership campaign will be inaugurated in this diocese, which will be under the direction of Reverend Leo C. Mooney, who has been appointed by him as Director of the Society for this diocese. His headquarters will be on the tenth floor of the Lincoln-Alliance Bank Building, East Main Street, Rochester, N. Y., to which place all business connected with this work may be sent after May 2. The Director plans to visit every parish in the diocese for organization of branches, and for the first year his schedule includes a list of twenty-four parishes.

It is hereby directed that in all the other parishes of the diocese not included in this list of twenty-four, that a special and separate collection be taken up for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith on Sunday, May 2, and that the returns be forwarded promptly to the Director.

With reference to the list of twenty-four parishes the Director plans to visit each of these parishes during the ensuing year beginning with the Cathedral on Sunday, May 2, and by the regular plan or organization to provide for membership both of adults and of children. It will be clearly seen that a personal visit to all the parishes on Sundays will require some time for completion of the work but that is the program that is now to be inaugurated.

It will be well to mention here that it has been officially determined that the amounts received from these general collections and from ordinary membership contribution will be divided in the following manner: sixty per cent of each dollar is to be sent to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith for foreign missions, and forty per cent to the American Board of Catholic Missions for home missions.

It may be further stated that all made for vacation. Next enrollment day is Monday, May 3d. Stone 1974. Missions one Our Father and one

Our Father with the aspiration "St. Francis Xavier, pray for us", and will give the alms of one dollar to the general collection will enjoy the privileges of membership the same as if their names were enrolled.

As the Director goes from parish to parish he will proceed to effect the organization and to get enrollment of names. The full program includes first of all enrolling of adults members, then the children in the advanced grades as Junior Members of the Society, and finally the little ones in the Association of the Holy Childhood. The regulations governing Junior Membership and membership in the Association of the Holy Childhood will be explained to the children by the Director on his visit to the parish and school.

Today we can look back through the centuries and marvel at the labors of those devoted bishops and priests in carrying the cross of Christ into every land, and as we admire their sacrifices under heroic poverty we may feel the generous impulse to do at least a part in helping to sustain and propagate that work of love. Confidently feel that the yearning hearts of our own devoted people in the Diocese of Rochester will answer the appeal of their Bishop made in the cause of Holy Mother Church, and that they will rejoice in the privilege afforded them to have a part in the glorious work of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

Yours sincerely in Christ,  
Thomas F. Hickey,  
Bishop of Rochester.

### Aquinas Students To Pay

Rev. William Byrne, president of the Aquinas Institute has announced to the ten thousand Catholics of Monroe County that on account of the non-payment of pledges made about two and one-half years ago, and which are now overdue the Aquinas Institute must take on an indebtedness of fifty thousand dollars for the running expenses of the year 1925-26. Had the pledges been met there would be ample funds to meet all expenses and to apply a goodly sum on the general indebtedness.

It has become imperative he says to formulate a plan for carrying on this school that will provide necessary funds, and that will not be a debt-making program.

To this end it is herewith made known that beginning September, 1926, a school fee of twelve dollars per month payable in advance will be charged for each student, and parents and guardians are now requested to sign the card of registration and to return same to the President of the school, on or before Monday, May 3, 1926.

### "Kempy" To Be Given In St. Mary's Hall

"Kempy," a three-act comedy by J. C. and Elliott Nugent, will be presented in St. Mary's Hall, South Street, the evenings of May 10 and 11.

The cast will include Marie Boucher, Dorothy Sutherland, Marion Thompson, Lucille Thompson, Franklin Heveron, John Guggan, George Manning and William Doolin. Novelties will be introduced by the children of St. Mary's School.

The production will be under the direction of the Rev. J. E. O'Brien.

### SS. Peter and Paul's

School collection will be taken up at the masses on Sunday.

The monthly meeting of Ladies Auxiliary, No. 44, Knights of St. John will be held on Monday evening, May 3rd. Lunch will be served after the meeting.

Branch 62, L. C. B. A., will hold their regular meeting on Thursday evening, May 6th. Cards will be played after the meeting.

### St. Monica's Church

The annual banquet of the Holy Name Society of St. Monica's Church took place Tuesday night at the Powers Hotel, with Robert E. Keefe as toastmaster. J. Emmett O'Brien spoke on "The Lay Apostolate."

Officers of the society are: President, Frank A. Weinhart; vice-president, Edward J. McGrath; secretary, Raymond P. Fox, and treasurer, Rev. Raymond D. Cunningham.

### C. Y. M. A. Smoker

A smoker was held Monday night at the C.Y.M.A. club rooms, 51 Ormond street. The committee consisted of Walter J. Mura, chairman; Charles J. Gerstner, Frederick J. Bauer, Gerard J. Hartmann, Clement J. Bauer, Leon J. Fischer, Francis J. Frank, Frederick J. Kuhn, Walter J. Corcoran and Gregory J. Callahan.

### C. Y. M. A. Club

To Present Comedy  
Miss Josephine Kramer has the leading role, that of Celia Faraday, in the three-act comedy, "Green Stockings," to be given by the C. Y. M. A. Dramatic Club in St. Joseph's Hall on Monday and Tuesday evenings, May 10 and 11.

### Darrow Day and Evening School

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### Redemptorist Fathers To Conduct Mission At St. Salome's Church

A two weeks mission will be held for the members and friends of St. Salome's Church, Point Pleasant, N. Y. The week of May 5th is for the women and young ladies; the week of May 12th is for the men and young men. This is the first mission ever held in St. Salome's church. It will be conducted by the two well-known Redemptorist missionaries, Rev. Peter Waringer, C.S.S.R., and Rev. John Sippel, C.S.S.R. A short mission will be conducted for the children of St. Salome's school from May 8th to May 8th. Services, to which the public is cordially invited, will begin each evening at 7:45 o'clock.

On Sunday, May 2nd, the children will receive their First Holy Communion at the eight o'clock Mass. Friends and relatives are invited to attend. At 2:30 o'clock the children will review their Baptismal vows and the services will close with Benediction.

### Alumni Association Organized

At a meeting held last week the Alumni Association of St. Salome's School was organized. The following officers were elected: President, Theodore Schipper, Jr., vice-president, Frank Kotwas; secretary, Dolores Holcomb; treasurer, Gabrielle Huxson; historian, Rosalind Heitrich; Miss Veronica Holcomb was given charge of the mailing list.

Tuesday evening the Young Ladies' Sodality of St. Salome's Church was organized. The Rev. Edward J. Eschrich is moderator. The officers are as follows: President, Beatrice Keeley; first vice president, Rosalind Heitrich; second vice president, Catherine Foley; secretary, Gabrielle Huxson; treasurer, Veronica Heitrich; social chairman, Viola Denk.

### English Lecturer To Speak

The Catholic Women's Club is bringing to the city next Wednesday Sir Bertram C. A. Windle, English lecturer, scientist and author, to speak on "Medieval England." Dr. Windle will show pictures on the screen of cathedrals, abbeys, parish churches, towns, castles, houses and methods of punishment, which will give a general idea of life of those days.

Of Irish extraction, his maternal ancestors gave distinguished service to their country in the Irish Parliament, and Dr. Windle was a member of the Irish Convention in 1917. He has been president of the University College at Cork, and established there the first course for a degree in Journalism in the British Isles. He is a Fellow of the Royal Society, a member of the Order of St. Gregory the Great, and holds the honorary degree of LL. D. from Boston College, Massachusetts.

Dr. Windle will speak before the luncheon group of the club in the Powers Hotel ball room at 12:15 o'clock Wednesday, and reservations for the luncheon, which is for members only, now are being received at the club rooms.

Seats in the balcony for non-members desiring to hear the lecture will be on sale at the door the day of the luncheon.

### Annual Concert And May Party

The seventh annual concert and May party of the Knights of Columbus Choral Society will be conducted next Tuesday evening in Convention Hall. The chorus, which is again under the direction of Frederick C. Fohl, is composed of 80 male voices recruited from among the older members of the Catholic choirs of Rochester.

Della Baker, noted New York soprano, who during the last two seasons has appeared on eight different occasions as soloist with the New York Symphony Orchestra, will be soloist.

The May party will follow the concert and will be held in the hall annex. Arrangements are being made by a committee, headed by William H. Walsh, George Foss, vice-president of the chorus, is assisting.

### Attention Catholics!

Usually every spring a flock of agents flood the city and towns seeking subscriptions for magazines and publications of all kinds which are published in a number of places, seeking business by saying that the proceeds go to this and that Mission or Father so and so. They secure a great deal of money that should remain in this Diocese and be given to Rochester charities. "We have on file names and addresses of our own, and take care of," as a Reverend pastor told his congregation last Sunday.

### Bazaar For Missions

Household No. 118, Order of Mary, will have a three-day bazaar in St. Francis Xavier Hall on May 5, 7 and 8th. The Household was organized in November, 1911, with a membership of twenty-eight, and since then it has increased its membership until now it numbers about seven hundred, including about forty men

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