

## Bishop Hickey Issues Pastoral on Sacrament Of Matrimony

Bishop Thomas F. Hickey's pastoral on the Sacrament of Matrimony was read in the Churches of the Diocese last Sunday. It follows:

To the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Rochester:

The office of a Bishop of God's Church requires that he who has the care of souls in a diocese be solicitous in the propagation and defense of our Holy Faith, and in safeguarding the morals of his flock. His work then is to be both constructive and preventative. With a consciousness of this duty and responsibility the Bishop of this Diocese feels impelled to send to his clergy and laity a short message on the very important subject of marriage, with reference first of all to the seriousness of the decision which contracting parties make in forming engagements, and secondly in regard to conditions which in our day have become to some extent an accompaniment to the celebrations at the time of marriage.

The contract of marriage and the reception of the Sacrament of Matrimony are acts of deep importance, and should be so regarded by the contracting parties. Marriage is a fundamental of the family life, and the family is the unit of Society; hence, the grave responsibilities that are assumed by those who enter into the married state of life. As God is the source of all good, it follows that the motive of pleasing God should be a leading one in receiving the Sacrament of Matrimony; that all other considerations should be secondary in the decision to marry, and the faithful practice of our Holy Religion should be a fundamental part of the family life.

Keeping this principle in mind we can readily see that the approach to marriage should be accompanied with a consciousness of assuming new and serious responsibilities, and a willingness to accept them. Fidelity to God in our plan of life, unselfishness, a love of our own home, and looking for outside pleasure with marked moderation, will be helpful conditions for the upbuilding of real family life. To follow certain practices because others do so is a weak and shallow plan of action. Parents should remember that the home is not only the first school attended by the children, but a very influential one in forming habits and character. The young mind is alert to all that it hears and sees, and the force of example of these teachers, the parents, will be an effective one.

As Religion must guide the family life, it follows that there should be a faithful observance of it in the home, and that there should be a union of Religion between husband and wife. Disunion in Religion can easily be a hindrance to the spiritual life of the family. We can understand from this thought that when a Catholic proposes to enter into the married state with a non-Catholic, the Church consents to this union only when every safeguard is provided for the Catholic Faith; and she grants dispensations for such marriages only on compliance with prescribed conditions. Our Catholic people should understand that a Bishop grants dispensations for said marriages only by a faculty delegated to him by the Holy See, and that in said delegation the Bishop is notified of the conditions according to which he may exercise this power of dispensing.

In the light of these facts, it is clear that the non-Catholic party who is called upon to accept these conditions should be fully informed on the meaning of them and should be able to act both deliberately and sincerely. If these requirements are presented to one only at the time that the acceptance is asked for, or close to the day appointed for the marriage ceremony, it may not be easy for that person to grasp the full force of these obligations, and especially if they are made known then for the first time. In justice then to the person who is asked to accept the conditions referred to, full time should be allowed for information and decision; and to that end it is hereby directed that any non-Catholic desiring to contract marriage with a Catholic in this Diocese shall take instructions from some priest covering a period of six hours. These instructions may be distributed as to time according to the convenience of the priest and the person who is to be instructed, and preferably over a period of days and weeks. Should any occasion arise in which the prescribed instructions for some good reason cannot be given, the priest will notify the Bishop of this fact at once.

And now for a word on the celebrations or festivities on the occasion of marriage:—any one who witnesses a marriage ceremony performed in a Catholic Church, and particularly when the Nuptial Mass is celebrated, is impressed with the seriousness and reverence shown to the act. And it is a most solemn moment in the lives of these contracting parties, when before God they pledge to each other that mutual fidelity. How unfitting and undignified to pass through the door of the church after this ceremony to face an ordeal of levity that is unbecomingly and little less than disgraceful! With all earnestness we protest against the practice of attaching objects of any kind to the car or carriage awaiting the bridal party, and we insist that they be

allowed to leave the church with the respect due to the place and the occasion. Nor should this practice take place away from the church, but be totally stopped at all places and times.

Furthermore, it has come to our notice that the marriage celebration on Saturday is at times the occasion for festivities that are protracted into Sunday and with a neglect of Sunday obligations. This is a most serious matter, and to prevent these happenings it is hereby directed that, when any persons in future make request for marriage to take place, on Saturday, it be done only on the promise that there will be a faithful attendance at Mass on Sunday and that no celebration be carried into the Saturday night or Sunday; thus eliminating anything that would be indecorous or unbecoming on the Lord's Day. Should this plan of providing for proper observance of Sunday not accomplish the desired results, it will be necessary for the Bishop of this Diocese to take further action to prevent abuses.

Commending this letter to the respectful attention of our priests and people,

Very sincerely in Christ,

THOMAS,

Bishop of Rochester.

## Bishop Hickey To Dedicate New Church Of St. Charles

The Rt. Rev. Thomas F. Hickey, bishop of the Diocese of Rochester, will dedicate the new St. Charles Church at Dewey Avenue Boulevard and Malden Lane at 10:30 o'clock Sunday morning. He will be assisted by the Rev. John M. Sellinger, rector of the church and other clergy of the diocese.

## St Bernard's Alumni Hold Reunion

St. Bernard's Seminary Alumni Association Wednesday held the largest reunion in the history of the organization. The day's program opened with pontifical high mass, celebrated by Rt. Rev. Thomas F. Hickey, D. D., bishop of Rochester. At the close of this service, the association conducted its annual business meeting at which the following officers were elected: President, Rev. William Purcell, of Syracuse; vice-president, Rev. David Caughlin, of Buffalo; secretary and treasurer, Rev. Leo Mooney, assistant rector of St. Peter and Paul's Church of Rochester. Two hundred priests were at the meeting.

Members from out-of-town, outnumbered those from this city. Rev. Michael Moriarty, of Wooster, Ohio, made the principal address, his theme being "Seminary Days." The talks were chiefly reminiscent and humorous. Rev. Richard Patterson, of Cleveland, was retiring president. There are eight hundred alumni. Rev. Walter A. Foery, past secretary, took charge of preparations for the reunion.

## SS. Peter and Paul's

The blessing of the statue of the Little Flower of Jesus, took place last Sunday evening by the pastor, Rev. J. E. Gefell. The sermon for the occasion was delivered by Rev. Thomas Timons, a Jesuit of Buffalo. A novena in honor of the Little Flower which began Sunday evening will close on next Monday evening. The statue is the gift of the Holy Name Society.

The sacrament of confirmation will be administered in this church on next Sunday by Bishop Thomas Hickey to a large class of children and adults.

The monthly meeting of St. Peter's Society will be held on Monday evening after services at the church.

Frank N. Rossenbach, well known undertaker, died unexpectedly at his home, 605 Maple street on Sunday morning, October 17th. He leaves his wife, Lillian Kohler Rossenbach; two daughters, Lillian Margaret and Alice Teresa Rossenbach; two sisters, Mrs. Teresa Ganster, and Mrs. William Stallknecht; two brothers, William and John Rossenbach. Funeral services were held on Thursday morning at 9:30 and at 10 o'clock from this church. Interment was made in the family lot in Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

Philip Glasser died on Sunday afternoon at his residence, 101 Silver street, aged 29 years. He is survived by his wife, Caroline Derleth Glasser and one son, Robert Elmer Glasser; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Glasser; three brothers, Leonard, Gerard and Fabian Glasser; two sisters, Mrs. Charles Miller and Mrs. Clarence Dengler. Funeral services were held on Wednesday morning at 8:40 from the home and at 9 o'clock from this church. Deceased was a member of the Holy Name Society.

**WOMAN'S CITY CLUB**  
Miss Effey L. Riley, chairman of the Legislative Department of the Woman's City Club, has arranged to have Dr. Meyer Jacobstein speak at the regular club luncheon Friday at 12:30 o'clock.

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## New Headquarters of Catholic Women's Club

At the opening of the new Catholic Women's Clubhouse at No. 177 Ormond street, on Thursday afternoon, a reception took place for the club members and their friends. Visitors were welcomed by a committee of hostesses, between the hours of 4 and 9 P. M.

The clubhouse, facing Franklin square, has been painted, decorated, and furnished in the last month, and now is ready for club activities. The color scheme of the first floor is warm ivory, combined with Chinese red and soft green in the furnishings and hangings. The sleeping rooms on the second floor, which will be rented to business women, are furnished with Simmons beds and walnut and china covered wicker furniture. Executive offices of the club are in the South wing of the house.

Members who have worked in the preparation of the clubhouse, and who welcomed visitors Thursday, include:

Mrs. M. H. Keogh, Mrs. William J. Reid, Miss Cecilia M. Yawman, Mrs. Eugene J. Dwyer, Mrs. Charles F. Buelte, Mrs. Charles F. Ward, Mrs. Frank T. Curtin, and Mrs. E. J. Rooney. They were assisted by Mrs. Francis J. Yawman, Miss Esther Trant, Mrs. James G. Comerford, Mrs. George J. Lomb, Miss Frances A. Fox, Mrs. William F. Fredmore, Mrs. William E. Blackwood, Mrs. J. W. Brennan, Mrs. James Connolly, Mrs. Margaret Danford, Mrs. Donald Palmer, Mrs. Irene Robinson, Mrs. A. J. Ryan, Mrs. Eugene Sackett, Miss Marie Schell, Mrs. Andrew Shearer, Mrs. D. E. Sullivan, and Mrs. H. C. Wilson.

## PERPETUAL HELP SOCIETY TO HOLD CARD PARTY WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27

The Perpetual Help Society will hold a card party at the Nurses Home, Genesee street, Wednesday afternoon, Oct. 27, at 2 o'clock. Bridge, five hundred and Pedro will be played, with pivoting, and a prize for each table.

Mrs. James E. Rice, chairlady, is assisted by committees as follows: Tables, Mrs. William Knipper; prizes, Mrs. Thomas F. McNamara, Mrs. William J. Smith; tickets, Mrs. Charles W. Byron, Mrs. Frank E. Deavenport, Mrs. John S. Smith; table covers, Mrs. Julia James, Miss Agnes Carroll, Mrs. John E. McKenna, Mrs. William Smyth, Mrs. A. J. Argus and Mrs. McLean; scores, cards and tallies, Mrs. Leo J. Simpson, Mrs. George S. Hogan, Mrs. John G. Elbs, Mrs. John L. Keenan, Mrs. J. A. Kresg, Mrs. Daniel Donohue, Mrs. William J. Kennedy, Mrs. John Doyle, Mrs. J. H. Hyland, Mrs. Raymond J. Blum, Mrs. Joseph P. O'Doyle, Mrs. William Rossenbach, Mrs. Louis A. Hebling, Mrs. Frank Strouger, Mrs. James J. Stafford, Miss Elizabeth Whalen, Mrs. J. J. Kavanaugh, Mrs. George Zweigle, Mrs. William J. Naylor, Mrs. William H. Craig, Mrs. William V. Moore, Mrs. George S. Nelson, Mrs. A. A. Meng, Mrs. James G. Comerford, Miss Margaret Sheehan and Mrs. Fink.

## GUILD MEETING HELD TUESDAY

On Tuesday of this week St. Aloysius Guild held their opening at St. Mary's Boys' Orphanage.

The following committee served: Mrs. James G. Comerford, Mrs. Peter Clair, Mrs. C. H. Crowley, Mrs. P. H. Cuhane, Mrs. Andrew Cummings, Mrs. Harry M. Cross, Miss M. L. Corcoran, Miss Elizabeth M. Claffey, Miss W. J. Corway, Miss Mary A. Cochrane, Miss M. E. Costello, Mrs. Thomas E. Coughlin, Mrs. Sidney Charlton, Mrs. Frank J. G. Connor, and Miss Johanna Curran.

## Blessed Sacrament

### JUDGE-McMILLEN.

The marriage of Miss Helen DeSales McMillen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. McMillen of South Goodman street, to John F. Judge of Syracuse, took place Wednesday morning at the Blessed Sacrament Church at 9 o'clock. The Rev. Thomas F. Connors, performed the ceremony, which was followed by a nuptial mass. A chorus of male voices sang. The bride was given in marriage by her father.

She was attended by her sister, Miss Julia L. McMillen, and a flower girl, Miss Jane Ryder of Syracuse, niece of the bridegroom. Arthur S. Blanchette of Rochester, a school mate of the bridegroom, was best man and the ushers were John E. McMillen, brother of the bride, and Joseph P. Cronin of Corning, cousin of the bride.

Mrs. McMillen, mother of the bride, wore black beaded georgette and a hat of Chanel red with a corsage of red roses.

Palms and pink chrysanthemums and roses decorated the chancel of the church and were used in decorating the home of the bride where a wedding breakfast was served following the ceremony and a reception was held later. The bride's table, seating twenty-five, was "T" shaped and ornamented with pink roses.

Out-of-town guests included Mrs. and Mrs. John Dell of Corning, Mrs. Loren Ryder of Syracuse, Miss Margaret Judge of Utica, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Haurahan and Miss Julia Cronin of Corning.

Mr. and Mrs. Judge are making motor trip to New York City.

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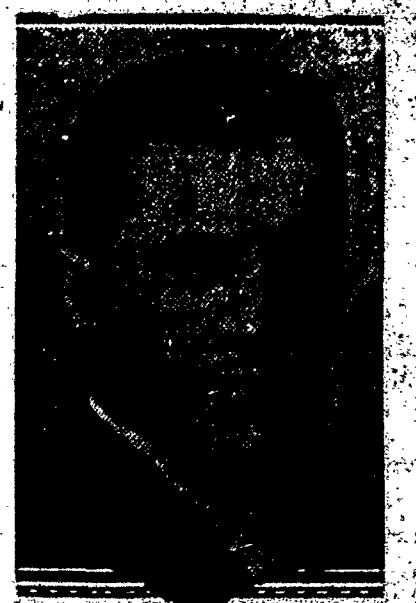
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JAMES E. CUFF

His more than twenty years of contact with the stern realities of life while working in factory, engineering camps, as a teacher and in the law courts, has given him a widespread experience and real sympathy with the problems of the men and women who work for a living.

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"Kid Boots" will come to the Eastman all next week except Thursday night for what is expected to be one of the year's hit comedy attractions. Cantor in his original role as the tailor's helper who falls in love with a pretty swimming instructor and gets into trouble through trying to help a friend escape from the clutches of a vicious rump. The delightful comedy style that brought Cantor from the sidewalks of New York to the top of success as a stage comedian is said to be felt through the entire picture and marks the arrival of another screen star to be reckoned with among the new comedians.

Others in the cast include several well-known screen stars.