

Around the Diocese

AUBURN Old Church Used As Parish Hall

Auburn, Feb. 6.—The old St. Alphonsus Church has been fitted up as a parish hall, and will be used for social, parish and athletic events in the future.

The first social event held in the hall was last Friday evening, when a party, attended by 65 guests, proved a very delightful opening.

Music was furnished by Leo Kroter and his dance band, and the party was sponsored by the Good Time Club.

Patrick Quigley Dies Suddenly

Auburn, Feb. 6.—Stricken suddenly with heart disease, Patrick T. Quigley, former postmaster of Auburn, died in his home early Tuesday morning.

Mr. Quigley had been ill with a cold a few days at his home, but no one thought his condition was serious.

Mr. Quigley was born in Corning, was educated there, worked on the Corning Journal for a time, then became a traveling salesman.

Chorus Provides Music For K. of C.

Auburn, Feb. 6.—At the meeting of Auburn Council, Knights of Columbus, Thursday evening, a chorus of 30 voices, under the direction of Eugene Steigitz, sang several selections, and sang them in a way that won hearty appreciation.

The Knights are making great preparations for the annual ball of the Council, to be held in the Pompeian Room of the Hotel Osborne on next Wednesday evening.

DELANEY-WELSH

Auburn, Feb. 6.—Miss Mary Welsh, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Welsh of Ensenon, and William F. Delaney, son of Mrs. Elizabeth Delaney of Fleming, were united in marriage in St. Mary's Church Monday by Very Rev. Dean J. J. McGrath.

Committees For The K. of C. Ball

Auburn, Feb. 6.—The annual K. of C. ball, always one of the big social events of the city of Auburn, will be held in the Pompeian room of the Hotel Osborne on Wednesday evening, Feb. 11.

The ticket committee is headed by John J. Ganey, assisted by J. Harold Wright, Terence O'Donnell, Charles F. Dowd, Edward J. Carroll, E. Louis Wesley, Thomas F. Nolan, Martin B. Bergan, Arthur J. Merriam, John J. Donovan, Edward H. Blumrich, Joseph Brennan, William H. McCabe.

SOME RECENT DEATHS

Auburn, Feb. 6.—Mrs. Anna Donovan, wife of Thomas Donovan, died Monday morning after a long illness. She was greatly beloved, and her death will be mourned. She is survived by her husband, two sisters, Mrs. Mary K. Liefgord of Troy, and Mrs. Margaret Brannigan of Hamilton, and by a brother, Owen O'Brien of Syracuse.

Waterloo K. C. Annual Ball on February 13th

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This event will be on a big scale, and it is expected that it will mark the beginning of new and bigger activities in the life of the Council.

All Knights of Columbus and their friends, ladies and gentlemen, are invited, and it is expected that many from neighboring councils will be at the party.

J. J. O'Sullivan, Will Be Mourned

Auburn, Feb. 6.—On Tuesday morning this week friends laid to rest in St. Joseph's Cemetery one of the state John J. O'Sullivan, aged 61 years.

Mr. O'Sullivan died at his home, 45 Wall Street, Saturday morning, and he was buried from his parish church, St. Mary's.

There was a large congregation at his funeral, and many Mass cards. "Sully," as his friends called him, had friends among the printers all over America.

ELMIRA Mrs. Mary Keavin Dies At Age of 92

Elmira, Feb. 6.—When the Rt. Rev. John Francis O'Hern, D.D., Bishop of Rochester, was in Elmira on January 10th, for the investiture of the Rt. Rev. Mgr. J. J. Bloomer as a Domestic Prelate, he and the Rev. Leo G. Schwab called at the home of Mrs. Mary C. Keavin, aged 92 years.

Bishop O'Hern spoke of her long and devoted work for St. Patrick's parish, and of the fact that she was one of the four original survivors of the founders of the parish.

For Mrs. Mary Keavin died last Friday and was buried from St. Patrick's Church on Tuesday morning this week. She was a lovable and beloved woman, a pioneer of the Faith in Elmira, and her memory will be treasured in many hearts.

DEATHS AND FUNERALS

Elmira, Feb. 6.—Mrs. Catherine Gill died at the home, 207 Washington Street Sunday morning, following a brief illness. She is survived by four grandsons, J. Harold Gill, Jr., Merritt Gill, William C. Gill, Jr., and Raymond Gill of Elmira, and one granddaughter, Isabel Gill.

Elmira, Feb. 6.—Mrs. Ella Tubbery Lynch, aged 63, of 34 Dineen Place died Friday at 8:20 p. m. She was the widow of John C. Lynch, and is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Thomas H. Guthrie, Mrs. W. H. Barger, a son Raymond Lynch. The funeral was held Tuesday in St. Patrick's Church at 9 o'clock.

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Young People Of St. Monica's Planning Party

The young people of St. Monica's Parish held a most enjoyable party on Monday evening, January 26th. The success of the party in a great measure, was due to the efforts of the following committee.

Benefit Party Held In Brighton For Church Fund

Mrs. Philip Christ, Sr., was hostess at a benefit party held at her home in Monroe Avenue, Brighton, Wednesday evening, January 29th.

ELMIRA COURT ST. RITA TEA

Elmira, Feb. 6.—Court St. Rita, 137, Catholic Daughters of America, held a tea Sunday afternoon in its rooms on East Church St.

VICTOR PERHIS FLYNN

Victor, Feb. 6.—Parris Flynn, aged 54 years, died at his home at Fishers, N. Y. He is survived by his mother, Anna Flynn; one brother, William Flynn, both of Fishers; one sister, Julia D'Arcy of Victor.

PALMYRA MRS. ELLEN GANNON

Palmyra, Feb. 6.—Mrs. Ellen Gannon died Sunday at the home of her sister-in-law, Mrs. E. Halsey. She leaves her sister-in-law, Mrs. Halsey, and one nephew. Her funeral was held Wednesday in St. Anne's Church, and it was attended by a number of friends.

CALEDONIA LOUIS SMITH

Caledonia, Feb. 6.—Louis Smith, aged 82, died at the home of his son, Jacob Smith, two and one-half miles north of Mumfords, Monday.

Crucifixion Held Vital To the Christian Religion, And Is a Historical Truth

The Rev. Dr. Edward J. Byrne of St. Bernard's Seminary Explains Position of the Church on Subject—Has Prominent Place in Christian Worship.

In the Church of the Sacred Heart, on Flower City Park, Sunday morning, the Rev. Dr. Edward J. Byrne of St. Bernard's Seminary preached on "The Crucifixion," and outlined the position of the Church on this subject.

Those who deny the Crucifixion of Jesus Christ, Dr. Byrne said, are persons who do not accept or understand the teaching of Christ confided to His Church.

That our Gospel according to St. Mark gives substantially the testimony of another eyewitness and companion of Jesus is today commonly recognized on the authority of early historical testimony.

"The attitude of the church today is as it was in the first days of Christianity, when St. Peter, standing before the assembled multitude of Jerusalem, spoke the noteworthy words recorded in the first chapters of the Book of Acts of the Apostles (Acts II, 14-36; III, 13-21).

"The fact that the Gospel of St. Mark was used by the crucifier St. Luke as one of the sources of his own Gospel is in itself a proof of the historical reliability of our second Gospel.

"The historical authority of the Fourth Gospel, which tradition assigns to St. John, the intimate Apostle of Jesus, has been as widely known, vividly recalled. For the present purpose of vindicating the historical character of the Gospel accounts of the sufferings of Jesus Christ, it is not necessary for us to appeal to its testimony.

"The historical value of the Gospel is not disproven by an appeal to their divergences in minor details. Unbelievers of all ages have greatly exaggerated the significance of this fact of differences in small details.

"The President and Dean of Nazareth College attended the meeting of the Association of American Colleges in Indianapolis recently. It was one of the most important educational conventions held in the country, representing the administrative officers of the universities and colleges of the country.

"The Students' Spiritual Sodality of Nazareth College, in cooperation with the College, are making plans to hold a symposium in March. This will take the form of several public discussions conducted by the students for the purpose of educating the people to the needs of Catholic education and the writings of enjoying it.

"The Synoptic Gospels, in their actual form, according to objective evidence, were not written at a period far remote from the happenings which they attest; the fourth Gospel, though composed towards the end of the first Christian century, nevertheless, according to the unanimous verdict of early Christian times, gives the testimony of that Apostle, according to the historical evidence. The four Gospels bear the proofs of giving historical traditions of Palestinian Aramaic origin.

"Our knowledge of the sufferings and death of Jesus, it must be remembered, does not rest solely upon the assertions of the Gospels. A denial of the crucifixion entails the explanation away of not only the historical testimony of the Gospel narratives but also of all the books of the New Testament, of the substance of the Christian writings of the ages according to the plan of the Apostles. In fact, an explanation of how the whole of Christian doctrine and history has grown up around the cross of Christ.

"A moment's insight is sometimes worth a life's experience.—Holmes.

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