

## Golden Sacerdotal Anniversary Is Celebrated by Msgr. Griffin

Receives Papal Blessings at Jubilee Mass; Guest of Honor At Dinner and Reception of Parish; Recipient of Many Congratulations and Gifts

Corning -- The golden sacerdotal jubilee of the Rt. Rev. Msgr. James Griffin, LL.D., V.F., pastor of St. Mary's Church and dean of the Corning Diocese, Rochester diocese, was observed on Tuesday of last week with church services and other events in which the venerable jubilarian was fittingly honored.

Solemn high Mass at which Most Rev. Francis O'Hern, D.D., assisted at the throne, was celebrated in St. Mary's Church by Monsignor Griffin and at the close, Bishop O'Hern bestowed the Papal blessing on him who was completing fifty golden years in the Holy Priesthood.

St. Mary's Church was beautifully decorated for the occasion. The altar cloth used, imported from France and exceptionally beautiful in design, was of white material with a deep valance of gold lace made over Irish point net and the whole hung over a white lining.

The main body of the church was decorated with a beautiful archway of cloth streamers of yellow and white, Papal colors, the two colors interwoven in a beautiful display. American flags decorated all of the supporting columns, the sanctuary was decorated principally in white with some gold. The altar decorations were mainly in gold. Henry Heydort was in charge of the decorations.

Officers of Mass. Assisting Msgr. Griffin in the Mass were deacon, the Rev. John A. Smith, Livonia Center, and former assistant pastor of St. Mary's Church; sub-deacon, the Rev. William Rafferty, Mt. Morris, master of ceremonies, the Rev. Thomas Topp, Rappert, Rome, and the Rev. Charles Mahoney, Elmira, formerly members of St. Mary's parish, Thurston. The Rev. Thomas Fernan, Buffalo, also a former parishioner of St. Mary's.

Deacons of honor for the Bishop were the Very Rev. John Lee and the Rev. J. Moriarty, assistant priest, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. William

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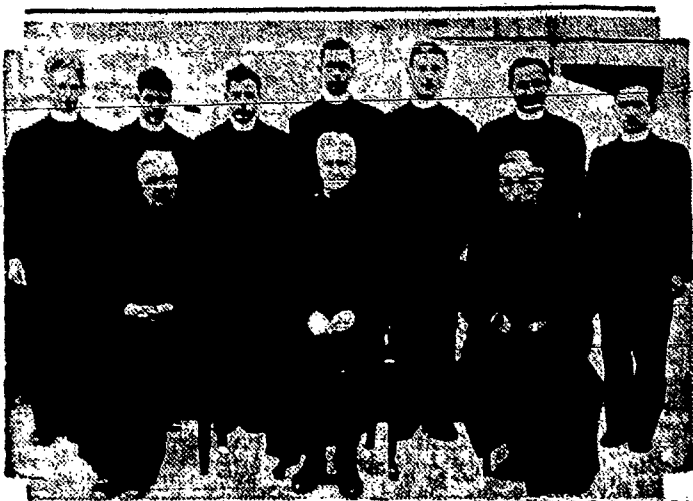
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## Leave for Philippine Missions



These seven Jesuit scholars have just left Woodstock College, Woodstock, Md., to do mission work in the Philippine Islands. A total of seventeen Jesuits are expected to sail for the Philippine Missions this summer. The scholars, who are shown standing in the picture, are, left to right: Messrs. Cummings, Wast, McMillen, Gutcheon, Monaghan, Goh and Le. The Rev. Timothy B. Barrett, S. J., noted Moral Theologian; the Very Rev. Vincent A. McCormack, S. J., Rector of Woodstock College; and the Rev. Thomas A. Becker, S. J., veteran Philippine Missionary.

## Mercy High Graduates Its First Class

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Members of Mercy Mother House, in black cassock, presenting a contrast in color. Flowers and palms furnished the background.

Archbishop Hickey in his message to the graduates urged them to treasure, to care for, and to protect the precious gifts of Faith, Hope and Charity, which they received from God. He said the true product of Christian education is the supernatural man who thinks, judges and acts immediately in accordance with a mind illuminated by the example and teaching of Jesus Christ.

The Archbishop extended true felicitations to the good Sisters for what they had done in bringing this, the first class, to the completion of its four year secondary course in Christian education.

Interesting Program. A program preceded the awarding of diplomas. Miss Marie Lavelle gave "Youth--Its Dreams and Aspirations." Miss Bernice Renaud recited the class poem, "Ships of Fate." Building Masterpieces of Our Ambition was the topic of the valedictory, Miss Eunice Schneider. The Graduates chorus sang "Gloria" by Buzzie-Peckis. An orchestra directed by Edward Callan furnished the music for the processional and recessional.

Honors awarded were Religion medals, donated in memory of Sister M. Patricia Jones, Catherine Stauder; Scholarship, donated by the Rev. Walter A. Foery, Eunice Schneider; Latin Award, donated by the Rev. John A. Sullivan, Marian Pallotti; General Excellence, Helen Kohlman; Leadership and Efficiency in School Activities, Miss Anna Hoffman; George W. Eckel, Anna Hoffman; Mercedes Award, Ella Marie Hoberle; Debating Club Award, Laurine Polier; Junior Essay Award, Esther Cleary; Sophomore Essay Award, Muriel Ackroyd; Four Years Tuition Scholarship open to Parochial Eighth Grade Pupils, Arlene Lochner, St. Andrews School.

Bishop Congratulates. Bishop O'Hern offered his congratulations to the faculty, graduates and parents. The Bishop said he could not pay too much tribute, not only to the Sisters, but to the parents who have shown their appreciation of the high standard of education received in a Catholic high school.

In presenting the graduates, Father Smyth said the graduation of the first class of Our Lady of Mercy High School will go down in history. He recalled the determination and will manifested by both faculty and students in the beginning of this new high school and pointed out the obstacles and difficulties besetting the paths of the first class, which had no superlatives to look to for example.

The members of the 1932 class of Our Lady of Mercy High are: Emma B. Brescia, Ruth H. Eberle, Jane E. Fitzgerald, Irene M. Gardner, Ruth M. Garlin, Julia A. Goodfellow, Jeanette M. Gove, Margaret E. Grimes, Anne C. Hoffman, Molly Kelly, Helen T. Kohlman, Lucille F. Lochner, Suzanne T. McCarthy, Dorothy M. Veyfelle, Helen A. Mitchell, Marian L. Pallotti, Laurine A. Polier, Bernice J. Renaud, Eunice O. Schneider, Eugenia M. Spofford, all awarded college entrance diplomas; Ruth M. Sharer, Academic Diploma in Music; Eunice M. Ames, Loreta M. Baker, Mary E. Barry, Genevieve R. Bieler, Althea D'Ambrasio, Bernadine M. Dennis, Geraldine A. George, Vera A. Goeckel, Mary Elizabeth Green, Ethel Marie Hagler, Rita A. Kast, Marice C. Lavelle, Anne J. Moore, Doris L. Smith, Helen P. Smith, and Alice D. Welch, academic diplomas.

Lois M. Campbell, Marjorie A. Doyle, Madlyn J. Foley, Genevieve C. Harnshteger, Marie A. Hodge, M. June McCort, Arlene M. Roth, and Catherine M. Stauder, commercial academic diplomas.

Griffin with a gift in gold from his parishioners. Bishop O'Hern was also honored guest congratulating Msgr. Griffin, the children for their excellent program and the Sisters of Mercy for their untiring efforts not only in teaching the children in their regular school duties but in directing them in preparing the program.

It was announced at the reception that Msgr. Griffin had been the recipient of another gift of money from the children, some weeks ago. The children of the parish cleared over \$300 on a program given in honor of Msgr. Griffin and this was presented him as a gift.

## 128 Aquinas Boys Receive Diplomas

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Rev. Msgr. William M. Hart, V.G., the Rt. Rev. Msgr. George V. Burns, and the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Joseph S. Cameron, the Rev. John M. Duffy, Dr. Grady, Dr. Brien, and clerical members of the Aquinas faculty.

Special awards were announced by Father Grady as follows: Four year scholarship, one to St. Bonaventure College, won by Fred Meyer with Richard Finkas alternate; one to Villa Nova College, Chester, Pa., won by James A. VanAllen as alternate; one to the Rochester Business Institute awarded to August Belkitch.

The Reussner Polytechnic Medal for the student attaining the highest average in mathematics and science over the four year course at Aquinas was awarded to Elmer Knapp, member of the St. Thomas Club, scholarship society, George Swabach and Fred Meyer, also members of the society were runners-up with only fractions of a point separating them from the winner, Dr. Grady announced.

The Rev. Mortimer L. Nolan prize for oratory was awarded to John Lewis Edelman; the alumni prize for the best contribution to the 1932 Aquinas annual, went to Hugh Tate, and the medal for the highest mark in the department of religion was given to Francis Knapp. The prize for the best endeavor for the missions was given to James Alling.

Gold medals for being neither absent nor tardy during the four year course were awarded to Ralph Gaudin, Edward Pappert and Genaro E. Berni. John D. Blum, Raymond T. Blum, Albert J. Braun, Edward J. Cirillo, John W. Clark, James R. Collins, Harold S. Coniff, Joseph J. Connelly, Joseph J. Creek, Kenneth J. Defendorf, Genaro W. D. Porta, Joseph R. Dembeck, Leo F. Dolan, John P. Donahue, Joseph E. Downs, Bernadine Drexler, Knapp.

Following is the list of graduates: Raymond J. Arbor, Russell C. Barone, Roy T. Bedford, August W. Belkitch, James O. Belden, Robert E. Berni, John D. Blum, Raymond T. Blum, Albert J. Braun, Edward J. Cirillo, John W. Clark, James R. Collins, Harold S. Coniff, Joseph J. Connelly, Joseph J. Creek, Kenneth J. Defendorf, Genaro W. D. Porta, Joseph R. Dembeck, Leo F. Dolan, John P. Donahue, Joseph E. Downs, Bernadine Drexler, Knapp.

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## St. Boniface Drill Corps Win Prizes

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Flags and banners bearing the emblem of the organization to Grand Circus Park, where national officers reviewed the delegations, then they entered the park and proceeded down Washington boulevard to Michigan Avenue where the parade was disbanded.

The Most Rev. Joseph C. Plagens, D.D., auxiliary bishop of the diocese of Detroit, pontificated at a solemn high Mass in St. Aloysius Church opening the convention Monday morning. The Rt. Rev. Msgr. John M. Doyle, chancellor of the diocese, preached the convention sermon, exhorting the delegates to crusade against birth control, trial marriage and free love to defend Christian womanhood against the inroads and indignities of these modern forces of plain, unadorned immorality.

Colonel Andrew C. Zink, chairman of the Detroit convention committee, welcomed the delegates to the first general session in the ballroom of the Book-Cadillac Hotel. Councilman Frank Couzens, acting Mayor, made an address of welcome.

Responding for the delegates, General Henry A. Leuch, of Cleveland, supreme president, and Mrs. Teresa Ganter, Rochester, N. Y., supreme president of the Ladies Auxiliaries pledged anew the upholding of the principles for which the Order stands.

Monday evening the convention military drill was held in the Book-Cadillac Hotel and was another colorful event.

Twenty-three crack drill teams took part in the prize drills at Navy Field, Tuesday. A total of \$1,700 was awarded to the winning teams.

About 500 delegates were present for the first official business sessions on Tuesday morning, the largest assembly conducting separate meetings.

Election of officers was scheduled to take place Thursday of this week.

## Leaders Elected By Retreatants

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J. Driscoll, Auburn; Third Vice-President representing Elmira Deanery, F. J. McInerney, Ithaca; Fourth Vice-President representing Corning Deanery, John Mellinger, Hamilton; Fifth Vice-President representing Geneva Deanery, Frank J. Conboy, Geneva. William T. Nolan, executive secretary, Rochester Catholic Charities, was elected Secretary and Treasurer. Fred B. Taylor of Rochester was elected National Secretary of the Building Fund.

Plans for the permanent retreat house which is an ambition and hope of the diocesan Laymen's Retreat Association were taken up during the retreat. It is desired in the future to have a retreat house on the plan of those conducted in other dioceses where weekly retreats may be made.

## Nazareth Graduates Class of 156 Girls

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Evening in the Academy auditorium. Diplomas were presented by the Most Rev. Thomas F. Hickey, D.D., who was the commencement speaker. He eloquently and forcibly the Archbishop spoke of the value of Christian education and admonished the parents of these young women of the necessity of furthering this education for their daughters.

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## The Holy Sacrifice Of The Mass

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To express the idea of the union that exists between Christ and the faithful as typified in the commingling of the wine and water in the chalice, just offered to God.

Panacea for All of Life. From what has been stated so far, we can see the importance of this union and communion as expressive of the intention of Christ in the institution of "the clean sacrifice" and the mind of the Church in its perpetuation. Christ died for all souls and that they might come to a positive knowledge of the means and matter of salvation. The Church continues the mission begun by Christ, the Saviour, and created the Mass, and each. For all the prayers and particular at Mass. She knows from her experience of centuries the inclination of the human heart, the need of propitiation and the demand in way to attain it. Therefore she recommends most highly and presents the most powerful, spiritual panacea for the ill of life--the Sacrifice offered daily on Her altar from sunrise to sunset, the world around the Sacrifice of the Mass. "Great is the wickedness of man," the Church teaches, "that he will not be satisfied with the thought of their latest best work, will at all times, yet he longer does the LORD say 'I will destroy man, whom I have created, from the face of the earth.' The rainbow of peace which marked forever the covenant between God and man is the divine sign pointing to shine brightly and with splendid beauty about the altar of God and its nearby altar as it glows. The variegated hues of the rainbow, very are continue to brighten the aspect and heart of mankind if they will but absorb some of the spectrum in the process of life. The beauty and sanctity of the Mass, the beautiful and beautiful of the celestial communion, the sacrifice which is the journey of life that we become forgetful of the impediments which beset our progress and walk on and on lightly to the end of the rainbow of God which has been promised to us.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass has this tendency to make our past sins God and to make our future sins God earth a pilgrimage and the white throne of Our Saviour who sits enthroned amidst the clouds of Heaven in power and majesty.

Maybe we desire the rebuke of the risen Christ addressed to the two disciples on the way to Emmaus at this post-resurrection season: "Art thou alone, a stranger in Jerusalem, and hast not known the things which have been done there in these days? Dost thou not know that we sat with the Saviour, like them, 'What things?' that our eyes of faith are opened and we see Him, invisibly present, break and give us His Body and drink His blood to drink; as He does each day at Mass, that we will turn to one another and say 'Was not our heart burning within us, while He was walking in the way?'

Wait not until the sunset of life. It will be too late then to enjoy the vision of Him as He should be, but whilst your heart burns and your eyes are open recognize Him in the breaking of bread and the sipping of wine in the Sacrifice of the Altar for which He died that we might live.

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