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ago of a Diocesan Spiritual Director of the Holy Name with instructions to form a Diocesan Union, and still more recently by his rearrangement of his schedule of confirmations in order that he might be present at the rally of the Union on Sunday, June 11th, and

Whereas, in the death of our beloved Bishop, the Holy Name Societies of the Diocese and each and every member thereof have suffered the loss of a loving and devoted friend and guide;

Be It Resolved, that the Executive Committee of the Rochester Diocesan Holy Name Union recommend that the next Communion Sunday of the Society, Sunday, June 11th, the day on which our beloved Bishop was to have welcomed the Holy Name men of our Diocese to their rally in the City of Rochester, be designated a day on which Holy Name men shall pay tribute in loving memory to our departed leader and that to this end,

Be It further Resolved that the Executive Committee of the Rochester Diocesan Holy Name Union recommend to every Holy Name man of the Diocese that he offer his communion on that Sunday for the repose of the soul of our Bishop, and

Be It further Resolved that our Rally on Sunday, June 11th, be considered a memorial to him, and

Be It further Resolved that a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Spiritual Director and the Secretary of every Holy Name Society of the Diocese commending it to his society for appropriate action, and

Be It further Resolved that a copy of this Resolution be sent to the official head of the Diocese, the Right Rev. Magr. William M. Hart and further that copies of this resolution be sent to the members of the family of our late beloved Bishop.

Executive Committee of Rochester Diocesan Holy Name Union, Rev. F. W. Stauder, Rev. A. E. Florack, B. E. Shlesinger, William G. Wynn, Charles J. Knapp, Norman A. O'Brien, Thomas B. Bickel, T. Francis O'Dea, Roy W. Crissy, Andrew Wuest, Joseph Antolini, John W. Diringer, William McLane, Rochester, N. Y. May 25, 1933.

Work of Parents-Teachers
Discussion Topic at Weekly
Educational Meeting

Washington.—A parent-teacher conference at which P.T.A. activities in Catholic schools will be discussed is an innovation planned for the thirtieth annual meeting of the National Catholic Educational Association at St. Paul Minn., June 26 to 29, it was announced today by the Rev. Dr. George Johnson, Secretary-General of the organization. Five thousand delegates are expected to attend the annual meeting.

BODY BEING BORNE FROM CATHEDRAL



Through a guard of honor of Fourth Degree, Knights of Columbus and Knights of St. John, the remains were carried by diocesan leaders among the clergy to be taken to Holy Sepulchre Cemetery for final committal.

CHRISTIAN ETHICS

"The Rights of Caesar"
Radio Talk Given By the Rev. William J. Mahoney, C. M., J. C. D.
Over Station WHAM, Sunday, May 28

In our previous talks we proved that the science of right living consists in the directing of our human acts according to the precepts of the natural law. And by the precepts of the natural law, we mean not only those of a primary nature ex. gr. "Do good and avoid evil"—"Thou shalt not steal"—but precepts which in the process of reason flow from these more general ones. The root principles of the natural law with their concrete and particular ramifications constitute the objective form of human morality. The abiding law of man's nature as it is authentically interpreted by legitimate authority—either humane or divine—furnishes man with the rule of right living.

This afternoon we are not concerned to him by God, it follows that the same law as given by an ecclesiastical authority on earth. We will Blessed Sacrament, all Catholics confine ourselves to some reflections upon the natural law as it finds ex. gr. adoration. Were a bishop, priest or even a layman to do the same, Christ would receive the same homage. It makes no difference who the minister is, the Blessed Sacrament is in the hands of all. And so, in common with the sacred, quasi-sacramental custom reasonably arrived at by deposit of authority, it differs not those to whom the welfare of a state who exercises authority, be priest, policeman or parent, authority may properly be regarded as either a reaffirmation of the natural law or a detailed application of its general principles. We know that the precept, "Thou shalt not kill", enjoins upon us the moral necessity of not endangering the life of our neighbor, but it remains with civil law within its appointed sphere to determine when and where this precept may be violated. Thus ex. gr. we are obliged to reduce the speed of our car in the congested area of a city. The civil law gives either an added sanction or a specific determination to the universal law of man's rational nature.

The need of civil law is admitted by anybody who recognizes the fact of his social nature. Civil society came not into existence because of some artificial compact or voluntary agreement amongst the primitive men. Had Rousseau—an outstanding defender of such a theory—been placed in solitary confinement, even though he were sincere, he would soon discover that he could not satisfy his social hunger on the bread of loneliness. Man is, by his very nature, a social animal. He craves and he needs companionship. And because of this natural tendency and need of man, society was born with him. If therefore the state is a natural necessity of man, as is his speech, it follows that there must be mutual rights would be violated, authority disregarded, and the state would relapse into the disorders of anarchy. Robinson Crusoe was a lute monarch of all he surveyed in his island home. But with the coming of his man Friday, a limitation was automatically placed upon his unlimited sway. The rights of the man Friday had to be respected. Civil law finds its necessity in the very social nature of man. It may curb the freedom of the individual, but it makes possible for that individual to live with his fellow-man. Civil law is necessary for the proper development of man, and receives its support from Him who also gives sanction to the natural law.

Authority Derived from God
The authority of the state to make laws is derived from God. Pope Leo in his notable encyclical, "The Christian Constitution of the States", teaches: "every civilized community must have a ruling authority, and this authority, no less than society itself, has its source in nature, and has, consequently, God for its author. Hence it follows that all public power must proceed from God." In so far that civil law is but a detailed determination of the natural law, it must receive the same sanction as that law. In so far that Caesar rules by virtue of a right deli-

First, a law must not run counter to any precept of the natural law. No inferior can legitimately disobey his superior. No august body of earthly lawmakers can pass a bill over heaven's veto. A law that would excuse the murder of an unborn child or advocate sterilization of the unfit finds no sanction in the natural law. It contradicts the fundamental law of man's nature. It blinds itself to the ultimate end of human endeavor and perfection.

Second, a law must be just. It must pertain to the common good and not find its purpose in the utility of a few. Its obligation must be proportionately imposed upon all citizens. The income tax law must not rest too heavily upon the poor man and too lightly upon the rich. If the so-called "Blue Laws" are enforced against Sunday baseball, they should be enforced against Sunday golf. Again, to be just, a law must be made by competent authority. The authority of the sovereign state of Oregon to proscribe parochial schools was denied by the supreme court of the United States.

Third, a law must be possible in its observance. That is, its precepts must be within the ordinary powers of man to obey. Every law curtails the liberty of the individual. That is the very nature of the law. But some legislators seem to labor under some dangerous delusions concerning the quality of human nature. They ask too much of human endurance and impose laws that are practically impossible to observe. It is often said that a law will not make a man moral. We would qualify that statement. A law that is in accord with man's rational way of living will make him moral—otherwise, we should discard the natural law. But this distinction is at times forgotten by some. For instance, to those who oppose the Prohibition Act because it does everything but prohibit, the prohibitionists will rejoin: "Why not repeal the laws against murder, since they are without effect especially in our gangster-ridden America." The star rules by virtue of a right deli-

Nazareth Academy to Give Recital Tuesday

The graduates of the Music Department of Nazareth Academy will be presented in a recital on Tuesday evening, June 6, in Nazareth Auditorium at 8 o'clock. The graduates are: Ruth Gaenzler, piano; Mary Elizabeth Golding, piano; Zeida Lyons, soprano; Marjorie Taggart, violin.

The wills of many are directed by that moral power which we call authority. But the right which it possesses to legislate, execute, and administer, is derived from God himself.

We will conclude with a few words taken from the Pastoral Letter of the American Hierarchy of 1920. "Defined as we are by our Maker to live in social intercourse and mutual cooperation for the fulfillment of our duties, the proper development of our faculties and the adequate satisfaction of our wants, our association can be orderly and prosperous only when

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