

THE COMMONWEAL
New York City

The problems which confront the diocesan press today are, if anything, more difficult than they have been within the memory of most of us. The Church is confronted with the worst kind of opposition—an opposition of indifference and of incomprehension. It is a very important part of the duty of the Catholic Press in general to make Catholics aware of the precise nature of this opposition and to make those outside the Church aware of what the Church truly stands for. I am sure that the dedication of the *Catholic Courier* to this cause will make its next fifty years even more valuable than its first.

Harry Lorin Binsse
MANAGING EDITOR

EXTENSION MAGAZINE
Chicago

As one who has himself labored for more years than he cares to count, in that corner of the Lord's vineyard known as the *Catholic Press*, I rejoice to hear that the *Catholic Courier* is soon to celebrate its Golden Jubilee.

To have piled up a record of fifty consecutive years of service in the cause of religion, and in defense of truth, and justice, and morality, is in itself an achievement of which any Catholic paper has a right to be proud.

But a still greater achievement, and which ought to fill your heart with pride and satisfaction as you are rounding out the half century, is that through all these years you have had the loyal support of the good people of the Diocese of Rochester. And this you would not have had but for their appreciation of the uniform excellence of the *Catholic Courier*.

And so while I offer you my heartfelt congratulations on this, the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of the *Catholic Courier*, I wish also to extend felicitations to your readers for the splendid co-operation they have given you.

S. A. Baldux
MANAGING EDITOR

THE AVE MARIA
Notre Dame, Indiana

The "Ave Maria" congratulates the *Catholic Courier* on its fifty years of successful achievement in the field of Catholic journalism. For a half century the *Catholic Courier* has held steadfastly to a single ideal: Speaking the truth fearlessly and courageously in the cause of Christianity, Religion and Morality.

Now, more than ever, is the influence of the Catholic press needed in this country, when the subtle propaganda of the Left has so wormed its way into the secular press that Christian issues are confused or falsified in many of our daily newspapers. It is to be hoped that the people of New York will recognize with new interest the sublime work the *Catholic Courier* has done in the Diocese of Rochester, and will give their financial and moral support to further its influence in the state.

Thomas E. Burke, C. S. C.

THE MICHIGAN CATHOLIC
Detroit, Mich.

It is gratifying to learn that the *Catholic Courier* is about to celebrate its Golden Jubilee. A leading ecclesiastical authority has called the *Catholic Press* "the vehicle of Catholic Action." Rounding out fifty years in that service is truly a memorable event. The *Courier* is not only a champion of Catholic teaching and Catholic rights and interests; it also is a powerful force working constantly for the welfare of state and nation. Accept the congratulations and good wishes of our staff, your co-workers in this great cause.

Anthony J. Beck
EDITOR

GREETINGS

From Distinguished Contemporaries

THE WITNESS
Dubuque, Iowa

Fifty years of service in the cause of the Lord brings to any priest so blessed his day of days. We dare not pass unnoticed the Golden Jubilee of other faithful ministers even though they carry the name of a Diocesan newspaper.

It is a distinct pleasure to pause and pay tribute to wise episcopal direction that encouraged foundations of the press fifty years ago, to the provident and intelligent use of a Catholic newspaper by the Bishops of Rochester during the last half century.

To a Catholic priest laboring in the field of the press, appreciation of the support and encouragement of the hierarchy is clear. An interested episcopacy has given to the *Catholic Courier* the right arm of its strength, it has endowed it with the finest man material available. One would expect great things from such a field and, indeed, the harvest is great. The personnel of the *Catholic Courier* has borne fruit a hundredfold.

Rochester, New York, the See city of the Diocese bearing that name, is the home of a Diocesan, Catholic newspaper of power and influence. The *Catholic Courier* reaches virtually every Catholic family of the Diocese through a nationally-known, colorful, interesting, school children press crusade. The *Catholic Courier* is an advertising medium which brings valuable response to the space-buyer. The *Catholic Courier*, well-edited, fearless for truth, a defender of justice, the sentry in the watch-tower of Israel.

Ad Multos Annos to the *Catholic Courier*.

With congratulations,
Rev. J. Fred Kriebs
BUSINESS MANAGER

THE YOUNG CATHOLIC MESSENGER
Dayton, Ohio

We wish to extend to the *Catholic Courier* our heartiest congratulations upon the occasion of its 50th anniversary. For half a century the *Catholic Courier* has served as an influential periodical, and today one may point to it as an outstanding example of the excellence of the Catholic Press in the United States.

May your Golden Jubilee Edition be truly the crowning achievement of fifty years of service!

We are interested in advertising in the *Catholic Courier*—particularly in the September and October issues and would be pleased to have your advertising rate card.

Again, our sincerest congratulations to you and to all those who have contributed to the success of the *Catholic Courier*.

George A. Pfau
PUBLISHER

OUR SUNDAY VISITOR
Huntington, Indiana

Having learned that the *Catholic Courier* is about to observe the Golden Jubilee of its foundation, "Our Sunday Visitor," a sister periodical, begs leave to extend its warmest congratulations, and to wish the *Courier* many more years of useful life.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
John F. Noll
BISHOP OF FORT WAYNE

THE GANNETT NEWSPAPERS
Rochester, N. Y.

It is a pleasure to extend sincere congratulations to the *Catholic Courier* on the celebration of its fiftieth anniversary. In one of the most important Catholic dioceses in the country, the *Courier* has proved itself, in every way, an able organ of the Church, a prolific source of religious and other news to the clergy and laity of the diocese, and a strong force for good in the spiritual and civic life of the area.

The strength of the *Catholic Courier* has arisen largely from the able leadership of the bishops of the diocese. The present leadership of His Excellency, Bishop Kearney, gives the strongest possible reason for hoping and believing that the fifty years of fruitful life of the *Courier*, now being celebrated, are only an earnest of the years to come.

Frank E. Gannett
PRESIDENT

CANANDAIGUA MESSENGER, INC.
Canandaigua, N. Y.

In behalf of "The Daily Messenger" may I extend to the *Catholic Courier* congratulations on having reached the 50th milestone.

I feel it is an unusual privilege to have this opportunity, as publisher of "The Messenger," to bring greetings to a 50-year-old from a paper that has long since passed this same mark. "The Messenger," founded in 1797, as a weekly, became a daily in 1907, and has the distinction of being one of the oldest daily newspapers east of the Mississippi.

It is with much pleasure therefore that I recognize the valued service the *Catholic Courier* has rendered throughout the years, not only to a Catholic reading public but generally, in presenting and interpreting religious and world events, for some many years.

May it continue to enjoy the prestige and distinction it enjoys in the newspaper field and may success attend its effort to be of service in the future.

Leon J. McCarthy
PRESIDENT

SOCIAL JUSTICE
Royal Oak, Mich.

On the occasion of your Golden Jubilee, those who are acquainted with your publication should speak none but golden words of praise for the magnificent traditions which your predecessors inaugurated and which you have so ably conserved.

The citizens of the Diocese of Rochester likewise should be congratulated for being so fortunate as to possess such a singular medium of expression in their midst. God bless you and all with whom you have cooperated.

Charles E. Coughlin
PRESIDENT AND EDITORIAL COUNSELOR

THE QUEEN'S WORK
St. Louis, Mo.

Heartiest congratulations to the *Catholic Courier* on its Golden Jubilee Anniversary. Under a great and gracious Bishop and its splendid editors may it continue its important work for the cause of Christ.

Daniel A. Lord, S.J.
EDITOR

THE CATHOLIC HERALD CITIZEN
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

We were twenty years old when you started publication so we know something of the financial difficulties, the general apathy and the discouragements that faced you during the past half century. To have survived and prospered during a period when so many Catholic papers failed is proof that you have fought the good fight courageously and valiantly.

In the new era that has dawned for the Catholic press, characterized by an ever-growing recognition of the need for widely-read Catholic newspapers and a steady improvement in their contents, you stand in the front rank—alert, enterprising and a veteran.

We salute you on your Golden Jubilee, and welcome you into ranks of Catholic newspapers fifty or more years old.

Humphrey E. Desmond
GENERAL MANAGER

THE PROVIDENCE VISITOR
Providence, Rhode Island

I welcome the opportunity to extend my congratulations to the *Catholic Courier* on the completion of fifty years of loyal and devoted service to the cause of truth and our holy religion. Fifty years in the ranks of the Catholic Press is a most honorable career when we consider the vital importance of our press and its multiple contributions to religious faith and the community and national welfare.

The *Catholic Courier* at this time of trial and stress and crisis in the national and world order has a most important role to fulfill. It is called upon to instruct its readers in sound principles of individual and corporate life, to uphold the arm of the Bishop and the clergy in the defense and promotion of the Catholic faith, to mirror the glories of Catholic institutions before the eyes of the world; in a word, to be that rarity of the times, a good paper. That the *Catholic Courier* will discharge its mission with strength and courage no one will deny who is familiar with its pages.

With every good wish for future success.

Rev. Francis J. Deery
EDITOR AND MANAGER

CATHOLIC FOREIGN MISSION
SOCIETY OF AMERICA, INC.
Maryknoll—New York

In the history of the Church 50 years may be brief but in the story of the struggle of us poor humans to persevere in goodness it is very long. Hence all who have had to do with the publication of the *Catholic Courier* week after week during this past half century may feel very consoled indeed as this excellent journal celebrates its Golden Jubilee.

Maryknoll as a young brother salutes the *Courier*, an institution almost twice its age. We are very happy that during the past quarter of a century the *Courier* has displayed such Catholic spiritedness and such active concern for the spread of the Faith throughout the world.

My blessings to all who have any part in making the *Courier* what it is. In union of prayer, I am

Sincerely in Christ,
J. E. Walsh
SUPERIOR GENERAL

THE CATHOLIC REVIEW
Baltimore, Md.

First of all in congratulating the *Catholic Courier* on its Golden Jubilee, let me say that the one who named your paper had a happy thought.

Secondly let me add that it is a source of deep gratification to know that after fifty years the *Courier* of Truth and Inspiration has not grown tired in its journeyings.

I need not tell you that there is a strong bond of affection between us of "The Catholic Review" and you of the *Catholic Courier*. We count you as friends. You in Rochester could be nothing else.

One of the happiest events of my own life was the annual convention of the Catholic Press Association held in Rochester in 1937. I shall ever look back proudly upon the honor that was mine in presiding as head of the association at that convention. It was good to meet you Rochesterians. All of us of the C.P.A. remember you gratefully.

As for the paper, it never offends the laws of Charity. At the same time it is "spunky." It speaks out in the defense of the Church, the Truth and all things that are of good repute.

The *Catholic Courier* is edited in a human way. It is close to the people. It speaks their language. The language of truth need not be solemn. It can and should be the language of the people, persuasive, convincing, unflinching.

The *Courier* is a well-edited paper. It handles the news intelligently. It interprets it clearly and its editorials are clear, informative, courageous. Your features are many and you have an "eye" for news.

If you know what other qualities are needed in a good newspaper, such qualities have escaped me.

All of us at "The Review" salute all of you as valued friends.

Vincent de Paul Fitzpatrick
MANAGING EDITOR

THE CATHOLIC DEAF-MUTE
New York City

Please accept our heartiest congratulations on the completion of fifty years of distinguished service in the cause of Catholic truth.

Popes and Bishops have repeatedly emphasized the important part played by our Diocesan newspapers in giving proper inspiration and needed encouragement to workers in the Catholic cause.

Especially are those whom God has permitted to be handicapped by the loss of hearing grateful to our Catholic editors for the sympathy they have always shown towards the deaf and for their co-operation in the work of instructing and aiding the deaf to remain faithful to Mother Church.

With every good wish for continued prosperity.

M. A. Purtell (Editor)
PASTOR, NEW YORK DEAF MUTES

THE SOUTHWEST COURIER
Oklahoma City, Okla.

It's always good news to hear of a Catholic paper celebrating its Golden Jubilee. It gives encouragement to others that have passed far fewer milestones.

The *Catholic Courier* always has been an inspiration to this paper which enjoys a similar name. We like its newsy content, its fine editorials and its sparkling columns. If it impresses us down here in Oklahoma, how much more should it be appreciated by the readers in the Rochester Diocese!

We trust that your second fifty years will be filled with the fine achievements of the first. May God grant you another half century of glorious work for the Diocese!

Joseph J. Quinn
MANAGING EDITOR