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WOMEN'S WORLD

Fr. LeBuffe's Talk — Special Rite
Sodality Doings — N.C.C.W. Meets

Fight Moral Decadence With Exemplary Life—Fr. LeBuffe

ELMIRA—Pointing out that "this mad, sad world, startled by the German-Russian alliance, is showing signs of waking up a bit but that a triumph for the dictators will give impetus to the anti-God forces in this country," the Rev Francis P. LeBuffe, Jesuit author and lecturer urged exemplary living as the best means of combatting moral decadence.

Father LeBuffe was guest speaker at the annual banquet of the Sodality of Our Lady of St. Patrick's Church.

Well known as a lecturer Fr. LeBuffe, after being introduced by the Rev. Francis Pegnam, spiritual advisor of the sodality, said "We stand today amid a moral wreckage, individual, social, national and international, that is one of the worst in the history of mankind."

"Belief in God is scouted, the Ten Commandments are held to be tribal taboos of a handful of early Saints, lust is praised and virtue is laughed at and chided. In many a school the only person whose name may not be mentioned is God, the ony thing that cannot be taught is religion. Marriage and parenthood, once held in veneration, now are attacked and only Tuesday the Birth Control Federation of America at a general meeting at a New York hotel heard Dr. Ray Norton of the University of North Carolina heap scorn upon Catholics, whom he described as a 'celibate-controlled group' because we still call unnatural practices sins and because we condemn those sins.

Moral Decadence

"There is a brief outline of our individual and social moral wreckage. And for national and international moral decadence, look across the Atlantic to Europe where man is pitted against his fellowman in a senseless war, motivated by greed, where whole peoples are persecuted and 'liquidated' to gain Lebensraum for their despoilers, where Russia stands as the first nation in history to be founded on a militant anti-God platform

"A mad world, yes! And now in this mad world you members of the Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary make open protest that you stand on the side of God. As Catholics your standards are high, as Sodalists your standards are even higher. Of your own free choice you have pledged yourselves under Mother Mary's protection to hold fast to the old-time principles of morality to love and honor God as He would have us honor Him, to uphold right and denounce wrong

"You can do this not by preaching, not by starting out to reform others, not by assuming a holier-than-thou attitude, but by living up to what God expects of you.

Life a Sermon

"Your life will be your sermon and such a sermon all men will hear and heed Remember your Catholic faith is not so much a creed to be believed as it is a life to be lived, to be lived from morning to night, at home, at work and in the hours of pleasure Your life must be the answer to the mad world around you," Father LeBuffe concluded

The Rev William J Brien, pastor of St. Patrick's Church, congratulated the sodalists on their activities and called on them to continue their work. Father Pegnam spoke briefly.

Mrs Charles O'Hara presided Mrs J. Edward Corr was general chairman. Vocal solos were offered by Miss Anne Sullivan and Miss Julia Cain. Miss Harriet Swarts and Mrs. Charles Lynch were accompanists.

Rochester Diocesan Council N. C. C. W.
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MRS. KEOGH ELECTED

The regular meeting of ROCHESTER DEANERY COUNCIL, N C C W, was held at Columbus Civic Centre on Friday, Jan 26.

The following officers were elected for the coming year, President, Mrs M H Keogh, Vice President, Mrs Harriet B Schoen, Corresponding Secretary, Mrs Margaret Kalb, Recording Secretary, Mrs Frank T Curtin, Treasurer, Mrs Rosemary Croston, Auditor, Mrs Wm Fuehrer

Interesting reports on the recent participation in the Exposition on the Family, held at Central Presbyterian Church, were given by those who had attended

A total of $66.00 was reported received toward the fund for the National Catholic School of Social Service. As a number of organizations had not been heard from, it was decided to postpone the awarding of prizes until the February Deanery meeting.

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YOUTH BROADCAST

To date our efforts have been unavailing to obtain a local broadcasting of the very worthwhile program "Call to Youth Eternal Heroines As They Walk in the Twentieth Century" which begins this Saturday, Feb 3, 12 30 E S T. and continues through February, March, April and May

We regret to announce that WBEN, the Buffalo station, is not carrying this broadcast

We are now hoping to secure a transcription of the broadcast at some other hour We suggest that all those interested urge this on their NBC station

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DISCUSSION CLUBS APPEAL

We quote from a letter received from Rev John M Duffy Director of Diocesan Discussion Clubs

"According to custom, religious discussion clubs are being conducted in all parishes of the diocese during Lent

"This year a topic we feel is particularly timely 'The Holy Mass.'

"Many of your members are qualified to go into their parishes as leaders of a group of eight or ten

"This is a contribution they can make as loyal parishioners and worthy members of organizations pledged to Catholic Action

"The Clubs begin the first full week of Lent but groups should be formed in advance The women should volunteer to their parish priest for leadership.

"The pamphlet to be used 'Why All Should Go to Mass' is available in the parishes.

"Since we feel that the subject this year can have a tremendous influence on the personal lives of our people and on Catholic life in general in this diocese, we are making an earnest effort for an increased number of clubs.

"Your cooperation will be deeply appreciated."

Tribute To Nun Set At Nazareth Tea

In tribute to Sister M. Marcella, principal of Nazareth Academy, a tea will be held Sunday afternoon, Feb. 4, in the Class House, Lake Avenue, from 3 30 to 6 P. M.

Nazareth Academy Alumnae Association, sponsoring the tea, invites all members of the association, friends of Nazareth and all who have at any time attended the grammar school or higher departments at the Academy to attend

Miss Blanche Jennings Thompson, educator and author, will speak There will be a musical program

Mrs. Katherine Lanphear McGuire, general chairman, is being assisted by: General arrangements chairman, Mrs. Bradford Nesbit, chairman of hostesses, Miss Lucille Duffy, entertainment, Miss Louise Musat, publicity, Mrs. Norma Shaughnessy.

Patronesses are Mrs. Walter P. Duffy, Mrs George W. Guerinot, Mrs. Earl Hubble, Mrs. J. M. Brennan, Mrs. Thomas Gallagher, Mrs. Harold Burke, Mrs Leo Simpson, Mrs. Edward Kammer, Mrs. William Miller, Mrs James J. Tighe, Mrs. A. W Fromen and the Misses Elizabeth Whalen, Mercedes Brayer, Grace Keenan, Elizabeth Coughlin, Clara Feely and Mary Sheehan

Hostesses are Dorothy Rucker, Margaret Rucker, Patricia Holmes, Mary Clare Hoering, Jean Kinchler, Rosemary Hubble, Sally Messner, Margaret Culhane, Nancy Dlean, Helen Donovan, Joan Vogt, Eileen Tiernan, Rita Purchase and Margaret O'Brien.

Hold Benefit Card Party

This evening, Feb. 1, at 8:00 P. M., a Benefit Card Party will be held in Banquet Hall "A" of the Masonic Temple, Main Street, under the auspices of the Rochester League for the Hard of Hearing, 130 Clinton Avenue South. The proceeds of this event will be used to carry on the League's intensive rehabilitation program during the 1940 season.

Will Aid Finns

Sigrid Undset, Catholic author of Norway, who has announced that all royalties on her novels will henceforth be given to the Finnish Red Cross. (N.C.W.C.)

Rite For Expectant Mothers Is Scheduled

Given the approval of His Excellency, Bishop Kearney, the Church Blessing for Expectant Mothers will be given at St. Joseph's Church on Thursday, Feb. 22 at 3 o'clock.

Conducting the ceremony will be the Rev Michael Kleeman, C S S R, of St. Joseph's Church. The services include also a talk on the ideals of Christian Motherhood by Father Kleeman and dedication and consecration of the coming child to Our Blessed Mother.

In small groups this ceremony has been held at frequent times in St Joseph's Church for the past five years with beneficial results.

A description of the Blessing for an Expectant Mother is given in the Sept., 1939, issue of the Catholic Digest by the Rev. W. J. Randall, C.M.R., whose original article appeared in the Catholic Fireside published in London.

Pointing out that a blessing given by the Church is a "sacramental" conveying the grace it signifies, Father Randall states that it has the prayers of the Church behind it, as well as the devotion of the one who uses it. He states that it has a special power arising from the prayers of God's Church, and therefore a power beyond that attaching to merely private prayers and individual acts of devotion

"Although there is no actual obligation to receive it the blessing of an expectant mother," Father Randall states, "it may be of such importance in a particular case that to neglect it would be imprudent"

Any who would avail themselves of this opportunity are asked to get in touch with Mrs Lawrence A Weider, 838 Westfall Road, Monroe 1351-W, who will explain the services in detail.

House of Hospitality Needs Coal and Food

The House of Hospitality conducted by the Catholic Workers at 676 North Clinton St. is urgently in need of food and coal to carry on its work for the unfortunate who seek its shelter.

Since April 1, 1939, the House of Hospitality has served 25,000 meals. Work about the place is being done by the guests. Many instances of return to the Sacraments have been reported as a result of the program and men have been turned from Communism because of consideration shown them.

Kappa Gamma Pi To Meet Feb. 3

The Rochester Chapter of Kappa Gamma Pi, national honorary society of Catholic women's colleges, will meet Saturday afternoon at the home of Elinor N. Roche

Miss Adelaide Beisenbach and Miss Adelaide Reisenbach and discussion, the third in a series on Marriage and the Christian Family

The election of officers will be held and the new officers installed.

SODAL TALK

By Margaret Larkin

Sodalists of Holy Ghost are not to hide their light, so says Marie Statt, Chairman of Our Lady's Committee. Next Wednesday at the novena service the girls are to take the front pews in the church and each will hold a lighted candle during the act of Consecration to Our Lady of Perpetual Help, after which they will make the offering to her of their candles in honor of the Feast of the Purification.

Dorothy Taylor says that "Eyes of Love" is assuming dramatic splendor and will "touch" all hearts when it is presented on Feb. 4 and 5 to help provide funds to reduce the school debt. We also have news from Coldwater that congratulations are in order for Rita Scheg, newly elected vice-president, and Ruth Jacobs, new treasurer.

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New Sodality Officers of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Sodality were installed at their recent meeting with all the pomp and splendor called for. Father Rauber, their Spiritual Director, gave a brief talk on "The Use of the Missal" At their next meeting he is going to show pictures to illustrate the importance of the Mass. Plans were also made for a bowling party and a penny sale. Sounds like a lot of activity ahead for Perpetual Help sodalists.

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Edna Yeager writes in from Holy Trinity, Webster, to say that all records for a good time were broken at their recent Leap Year sleigh ride party. The Sodalists and their friends, fifty-eight strong, drove to Mendon Pond for skiing, skating and tobogganing. Later in the evening they were guests at the home of the parents of Rev. Francis Waterstraat, their Spiritual Director, where refreshments were served. They played all sorts of games and sang all the old songs. In short, it was a good old-fashioned sleigh ride party, and you may be sure that a grand and glorious time was had by all.

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Sodalists are reminded that Friday is one of the important feasts of Our Blessed Lady, that of the Purification. Sodalists are granted an indulgence for receiving Holy Communion and attending the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass on this day. We feel sure that real companions of Mary will not let this day pass without paying her due honor.

Our Social Swirl

Alumnae Group To Hold Tea

By MARY CAUFIELD

The Rochester Circle of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae will hold a tea for its members at the Red Cross Chapter House, 109 Plymouth Avenue South, on Saturday, February 3, from 3:30 to 5:30.

Miss Margaret E. Devereaux is general chairman and she is being assisted by the following committees: Arrangements, Mrs. James O'Brien, the Misses Julia Brick, Regina Kennedy, Marguerite King; Decorations, Mrs. James Cashman; Invitations, Mrs. Frederick Young and Miss Rosemary McNulty.

Publicity, Miss Agnes Powers, Mrs. Joseph Crowley, Mrs. Joseph Murphy and Miss Eileen O'Reilly.

Reception, Mrs. William Miller, Miss Helen Durnin, Mrs. Leo Callhan, Mrs. John Lehner, Miss Bernice Glennity, Miss Elisabeth Coughlin, Mrs. John Croxton, Mrs. Henry Hanford, Mrs. Mathew Hoenig, Miss Veronica Maher, Miss Evelyn R. McIntee, Miss Helen O'Connell, Mrs. Geo. Shaft and Miss Mary Sheehan.

Alternating at the tea tables will be Miss Evelyn R. McIntee, Miss Helen O'Connell, Mrs. Francis Regan, Mrs. George Shaff and Miss Mary Sheehan.

Music will be furnished by students from the Nazareth Conservatory of Music.

Simple Simon Social

The Simple Simon Social, sponsored by the Junior Catholic Daughters of America, will be held on Saturday, Feb. 3, from 4 until 9 P. M. Admission will be one penny and everything at the Bazaar will have a fine of one penny.

Raffles, games, baked foods, a hot chocolate shoppe and an ice cream bar will be included in the program. Proceeds of the social will be turned over to the Merriman Center for the building fund.

Miss Jeanne Mares O'Brien is general chairman of the affair. Assisting her will be the following Juniors: Eleanor Adams, Patricia Doherty, Adele M. Fuchs, Mildred Graham, Rosemary Graham, Jean Horton, Marjorie Kohl, Maureen Langton, Peary Lynch, Joan McNulty, Marjorie McNulty, Mary McNulty, Terry McNulty, Patricia Meyers, Frances O'Brien and Rose Marie O'Brien.

L. C. B. A.

The Ladies' Catholic Benevolent Association, No. 877, of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, will sponsor a pre-lenten card party on Tuesday, Feb. 6, in the parish hall. Luncheon will be served following the card games.

Mrs. George Nientimp, president and honorary chairman, will be assisted by the following committee: Mrs. John Eckert, Mrs. Eugene Wilson, Mrs. John Mandel, Mrs. George Mayer, Mrs Teresa Wolfert, Anna Bacher, Mary Heberle, Sarah Coyle, Anna Buchodis, Caroline Knitter, Mrs. Anne Sinyke, Mrs. Fred Soh, Mrs. William Kelsey.

P. T. A.

The Rt. Rev Msgr. William F. Bergan will be the guest speaker at the regular monthly meeting of the Nazareth Hall Parent-Teacher Association to be held on Tuesday, Feb. 6. Tea will be served following the lecture.

Hostesses will include Mrs. Sidney Krahn, chairman; Mesdames Carl Ade, Lawrence Cleary, John Curran, Norman Green, N. L. Hastings, Williams Jones, Paul Moonan, Joseph Myler, W. J. Neary, George Nier, W. Rodenhouse, A. Schell, H. J. Klumb, Charles Moon and Milton Staud.

Junior League

The regular monthly meeting of St. Mary's Junior League will be held Wednesday, Feb. 7, at 8 o'clock at the Catholic Women's Club in Alexander Street. Mrs. Joseph W Still will preside

Following the business discussion, Rev. Arthur E. Ruligan, Chaplain of St. Mary's Boys' Home, will give a talk. The committee in charge of arrangements for the evening's program consists of Mrs. Charles Farnung, Mrs. Sylvester Kleehammer, Mrs. Arthur Haek and Mrs. Arthur Martin.

Party Listed To Aid College Fund

To raise funds for the college building fund, the Nazareth College Guild will sponsor a card party at the college in Augustine St., Monday evening, Feb. 5, at 8 o'clock

Mrs. Myle J Tierney is general chairman. Assisting are chairmen of various committees: Mrs. George W. Finegan, Mrs James Morrow and Mrs. Anthony W. Fromen, prizes; Mrs. Donald A. Byrne, cards and tallies; Mrs. Henry M. Furlong and Mrs. John Scott, tables; Mrs. John P. Culhane, tickets; Mrs. Frank W. Foery, candy, and Mrs. Thomas H. Griffin, finance.

Officers of the Guild comprise the reception committee. They are: Mrs. Louis C. Hock, president; Mrs. Frank J. G. Connor, Mrs. Edward C. Edelman, Mrs. James P. Jones, Mrs. John H. Odenbach, Mrs. Frank S. Gottry, Mrs. oJhn E. Greene, Mrs. Frederick H. Lintz and Mrs. Frank A. Norton.

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AS ONE WOMAN TO ANOTHER

By SUZANNE

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