The Influential Newspaper of the Rochester Diocese

Catholic Courier

Published at Rochester, N. Y. — 51st Year — ★★★ — Volume XII, Number 45 — THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1940 — Two Sections, Pages 1-12 — 1889 • • • • 1941 — 5 Cents a Copy—$2.50 a Year

VIEWS INDEX
Pope's Peace Prayer .....Page 1
Priest's Golden Jubilee .....Page 8
Church Year Begins .....Page 8
The Moral Aspect .....Page 9

NEWS INDEX
College Trend .....Page 5
Broiled Food Menus .....Page 6
Catholic Scouts .....Page 6
Knights Campaign .....Page 7

The Bishop's Appointments

DECEMBER

1 Sunday—St. John's, Elmira—Pontifical Mass, Father Stemmler's Golden Jubilee—10:30 A. M.
2 Monday—Aquinas Institute—Trustees' Meeting—6:30 P. M.
3 Tuesday—St. John's, Clyde—Low Mass—9:00 A. M.
Pro-Cathedral—Holy Hour—Closing Forty Hours—7:45 P. M.
5 Thursday—Nazareth Convent, Pittsford—Low Mass, Opening Forty Hours—8:00 A. M.
Nazareth College—Sodality Reception—3:00 P. M.
6 Friday—St. Patrick's—Low Mass, St. Monica's Guild—9:00 A. M.
St. Bernard's Seminary—Conference—5:30 P. M.
Immaculate Conception—Novena Service—7:45 P. M.
7 Saturday—St. Monica's—Pontifical Mass, Rochester Sodality Union—12:00 Noon.
8 Sunday—St. Bernard's Seminary—Pontifical Mass, Patronal Feast—9:00 A. M.
Pro-Cathedral Hall—Knights of St. John Degree—3:00 P. M.
St. Patrick's—Blessing of Bell—8:00 P. M.
10 Tuesday—Columbus Civic Centre—Priests' Holy Hour—3:00 P. M.
Chamber of Commerce—Annual Scouters' Dinner—6:30 P. M.
12 Thursday—St. Michael's Hall—Illustrated Lecture—7:00 P. M.
14 Saturday—St. Mary's Hospital Chapel—Low Mass, St. Mary's Alumnae Association—8:00 A. M.
15 Sunday—St. Mary's—Low Mass, Blessing of Chapel—12:00 Noon.
16 Monday—Academy of the Sacred Heart—Christmas Mass—8:30 A. M.
Nazareth Hall—Christmas Play—8:15 P. M.
17 Tuesday—Aquinas Institute—Christmas Mass—9:00 A. M.
18 Wednesday—Nazareth College—Christmas Mass—9:00 A.M.
20 Friday—St. Patrick's—Christmas Mass, St. Andrew's Seminary—8:00 A. M.
Our Lady of Mercy High School—Christmas Entertainment—2:00 P. M.
Nazareth Academy—Christmas Play—8:15 P. M.
21 Saturday—Pro-Cathedral—Priesthood Ordination—9:00 A.M.
22 Sunday—St. Mary's Boys' Home—Christmas Mass—7:00 A. M.
Pro-Cathedral—Christmas Pageant—8:00 P. M.
23 Monday—St. Ann's Home—Christmas Mass—8:00 A. M.
24 Tuesday—St. Mary's Hospital Chapel—Christmas Mass—8:00 A. M.
25 Wednesday—Pro-Cathedral — Pontifical Mass — 12:00 Midnight.

By order of the Most Reverend Bishop

Lawrence B. Casey,
VICE-CHANCELLOR.

Catholic University Letter

My dear People:

The first Sunday of Advent has been set aside as the day for the Annual Collection for the support of the Catholic University at Washington. The Diocese of Rochester was very generous in response to the University's appeal for a Jubilee Collection to remove some of the heavy indebtedness. Obviously, it would be foolish to pay out money to eliminate debt and then withhold our Annual Collection, which is one of the principal sources for the normal maintenance of the schools of the University. Such action on the part of the various dioceses would soon have the University in debt again. Hence the University is forced to appeal to us for the Annual Collection which is allocated to the regular maintenance of the institution. Your generous campaign donation is set aside for the specific purpose of debt removal. May I ask, then, that your interest in this important project be manifested by a generous offering for the maintenance of the Catholic University on the occasion of the regular Annual Collection December 1.

Thanking you for your generous assistance and praying God's choicest blessings upon you during the Advent Season, I am

Your devoted Shepherd in Christ

+ James E. Kearney

BISHOP OF ROCHESTER

178 Catholic Colleges Get NYA Student Aid

WASHINGTON, Nov. — Of the $13,713,225 alloted by the National Youth Administration to aid students in continuing their education during the current academic year $1,034,775 has been alloted to 7,665 students in 178 Catholic institutions of higher learning, according to an announcement by Aubrey Williams, NYA Administrator, released today. More than 150,000 students are thus being assisted throughout the country.

The figures do not include Catholic high schools, which also receive allotments.

Colleges and universities have been assigned employment and fund quotas on the basis of 94.7 per cent of the total number of resident undergraduate and graduate day students 16 to 24 years of age inclusive, enrolled as of November 1, 1939 and carrying at least three-fourths of a normal schedule. For the current academic year the national student quota is 101,846.

Confirmations Total 20,074

A total of 3,950 individuals including 376 converts were confirmed by His Excellency, Bishop Kearney during the year ending Nov. 10, 1940, it is announced today at the Chancery.

During his three years as Shepherd of the Rochester Diocese, Bishop Kearney has confirmed a total of 20,074 children and adults, including 1,692 converts.

Priest Is Appointed Almoner Of Quints

QUEBEC—Father Joseph Oliver has been appointed Almoner of the Dionne quintuplets by His Eminence Rodrigue Cardinal Villeneuve, Archbishop of Quebec.

In his capacity as Almoner Father Oliver will be in charge of the distribution of funds donated by the quintuplets to charity.

400 Hear Aims Of Charities

Bishop Tells Way At Elmira Dinner

ELMIRA—"The kind of social order that social workers will build will depend upon their philosophy of man, or their outlook on human nature," the Most Rev. James E. Kearney, Bishop of Rochester, told about 400 attending the fifth annual dinner of Catholic Charities Tuesday night at the Mark Twain Hotel.

"No profession in modern times has been so quickly thrust into the foreground of natural life as the profession of social work," said Bishop Kearney.

Social workers formerly were regarded as caring for the "few irregularities of life," such as the poor and delinquents, who would disappear with the progress of civilization, he said. "Then came the rude awakening.

"No sooner did the mobilization of armies end than the depression came with its mobilization of new armies—not armies of war but armies of a hungry peace. Soup lines became bread lines, receiving stations became relief stations, feet marching to battle became feet searching for work, shell-torn cathedrals became ruined homes, and the armistice of this war has not yet been declared." And thus it was that those who were thought to be only the ambulance workers of civilization, to care for its few irregularities, have now been found to be as necessary for the social body as the physician is for the human body.

Reports on Year

Miss Mary FitzGerald, executive director of the Catholic Charities, in presenting a summary of the year's work, said that statistics fail to show the full extent of the agency's work, in rebuilding families and in giving its people fresh outlooks on their problems.

In the year ending Oct. 31 the Catholic Charities served 1,900 individuals in 425 different families, Miss FitzGerald said. She commended the work of the Ladies of Charity and the Men's Council of Catholic Service, sub-organizations formed in the past year.

Others at the speakers' table were:

The Rt. Rev. Msgr. John J. Lee, V.F., pastor of SS. Peter and Paul's Church and spiritual adviser of Catholic Charities; the Rev. Gerald C. Lambert of Rochester, diocesan director of Catholic Charities; the Rev. Joseph E. Vogt of Rochester, diocesan director of Social Action; Dr. John F. Lynch, chairman of Catholic Charities board of directors and general chairman of the dinner; the Rev. J. J. Moriarty, pastor of St. Mary's Church, and vice-president of the agency's board; Mayor J. Maxwell Beers; Judge Bertram L. Newman; the Very Rev. Frederick Henstridge, rector of Grace Episcopal Church; James W. McGill, grand knight of Elmira Council, Knights of Columbus; Dr. Leo J. Palmer, superintendent of the Elmira Reformatory; Austin J. Paddock, president of the board of directors, Elmira Community Chest; Edgar W. Austin, Chest executive; Ray C. Halbert, chief probation officer.

Dinner music was furnished by Miss Loretta Ryan with solos by Mrs. Daniel F. Kennedy and Miss Anne Sullivan.

Bishop Kearney spoke, in part, as follows:

A choice between two philosophies of man "two outlooks on human nature from which social workers must choose, awaits America.

Contrasts Philosophies

"We might call one the materialistic and the other the Christian. The materialistic philosophy of life says that man is only an economic animal, has no soul which is capa-

(Continued on Page 12)

SWISS CATHOLICS ALMOST EQUAL PROTESTANTS

GENEVA—The Catholic population of Switzerland now almost equals the Protestant in number, says Dr. Carl Bruschweiler, head of the Federal Bureau of Statistics at Berne in a review of recent population trends, which he finds alarming.

While at the turn of the century there were 266 births annually to every 1,000 married women capable of child-birth, the average today is only 125. The minimum required to maintain at least a stable population level would be 170.

No less than 20 per cent of the married couples in Switzerland are childless, 2 per cent have one and another 20 per cent only two children, while at least three would be required to maintain population stability.

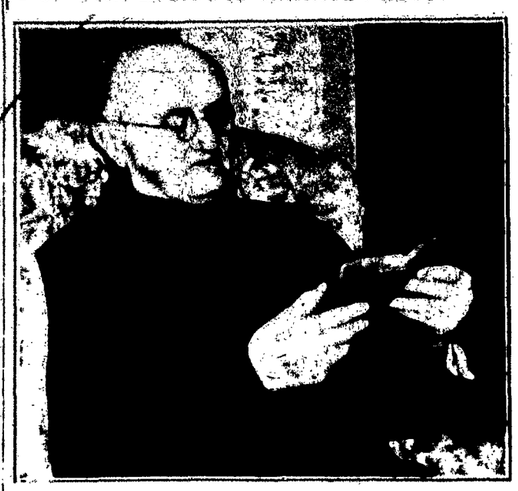
As far as church membership is concerned, there were 185 children born to every 1,000 Catholics, 130 to every 1,000 Protestants and 75 to every 1,000 Jews.

Church Near Prague Gets True Cross Relic

PRAGUE — A portion of the relic of the True Cross has been secured for a new church dedicated to Mary, Queen of Peace, recently built at Lhotka near Prague.

FRIDAY SPECIAL—Fresh Fried Fish, 35c lb. Clam Chowder, 25c qt. AUNT JENNIE'S BAKE SHOPPE, 516 Monroe Ave. Phone orders reserved. Monroe 665.—Adv.

Golden Sacerdotal Jubilee Listed For This Beloved Elmira Pastor



Rev. John Baptist Stemmler

Jubilee To Honor Fr. Stemmler Set

ELMIRA—The Reverend John Baptist Stemmler, pastor of Saint John the Baptist Church, Elmira, will mark his fiftieth anniversary of ordination to the Holy Priesthood on Sunday, Dec. 1.

His Golden Jubilee will be celebrated by Father Stemmler, two days prior to the actual date of his anniversary.

The celebration will be one in which His Excellency, the Most Rev. James E. Kearney, D.D., Bishop of Rochester, together with His Excellency, the Most Rev. Archbishop Thomas F. Hickey, scores of clergy and hundreds of parishioners will honor the jubilarian.

His Excellency Bishop Kearney will offer a Solemn Pontifical Mass at which His Excellency, Archbishop Hickey will preach the Jubilee Sermon at 10:30 A. M. Officers of the Mass appear in the adjoining column.

Procession Listed

The Mass will be preceded by a procession from the rectory with the Bishop accompanying the Jubilarian escorted by representatives of church societies, Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus, Boy and Girl Scouts and six pages selected from the First Grade children of the parish.

Following the Mass dinner will be served at 1 P. M. in the Mark Twain Hotel, at which members of the hierarchy, monsignori, clergy and people will fete Father Stemmler.

Gift from Parishioners

As a gift from Father Stemmler's people, Charles Kruckow, who has served as trustee of the Church for 30 years, will present the pastor with a beautiful Monstrance. On the base of the Monstrance is inscribed "To honor Rev. John B. Stemmler on the occasion of his golden jubilee to the priesthood, Dec. 3, 1940."

It is the mind of the donors, it is said here, that this sacred vessel will serve through the years as a reminder of a beloved pastor who gave both of his spiritual as well as of his material goods to his people.

Ordained in Germany

Father Stemmler was born in Germany Sept. 7, 1865, and in baptism was given the name of the Saint who is patron of the church of which he has been pastor for the past 37 years.

After studying for the priesthood in the diocese of Fulmberg, Germany, Father Stemmler was ordained at Mainz on Dec. 3, 1890 for the diocese of Buffalo, N. Y. He came to Buffalo in April 1891 and served as assistant pastor for one year at Dunkirk. He then held the pastorate at Strykersville for a year, at Bennington for four and a half years and at Wayland for six years before coming to Elmira in 1903. At the present time he has a priest-brother and three sisters, one of whom is a nun, residing in Germany.

Remarkable Record

His record as a pastor of an Elmira church exceeds that of any local clergyman. In his 37-year pastorate here Father Stemmler has made countless friends among people of all faiths. Although his parish is not large, the central location of his church has brought as many visitors as parishioners in to worship. He has baptized nearly 600 children and converts in Elmira. He has also conferred the Sacrament of Matrimony to

(Continued on Page 2)

Golden Jubilee Program Given

ELMIRA—Here is the program for the Golden Jubilee Celebration honoring the Rev. John B. Stemmler, pastor of St. John the Baptist Church, Elmira:

PONTIFICAL HIGH MASS
10:30 A. M.

Procession—
From rectory to church: Bishop Kearney escorted by Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus; Officers of Church Societies; Page Boys; Boy and Girl Scouts.

Officers of the Mass:
Celebrant: Most Rev. James E. Kearney, D.D.
Assistant Priest: Rt. Rev. Msgr. William M. Hart, V.G.
Deacon: Rev. William J. Brien.
Subdeacon: Rev. Ladislaus Szczapanski.
Deacons of Honor: Very Rev. John A. Conway, V.F.; First Master of Ceremonies, Rev. Lawrence B. Casey; Second Master of Ceremonies, Rev. Francis J. Lane.

Sermon:
Most Rev. Archbishop Thomas F. Hickey, D.D.

Choir—
Under direction of Elizabeth Byrne Bacon.

DINNER
1 P. M.
MARK TWAIN HOTEL

Remarks by His Excellency, Bishop Kearney.
Presentation of Monstrance to Father Stemmler in the name of all parishioners by Mr. Charles Kruckow, Sr.
Remarks by Father Stemmler.
Dinner music by Elizabeth Byrne Bacon.

A. F. of L. Urged To Champion All Workers

NEW ORLEANS—(NC)—The Most Rev. Joseph F. Rummel, Archbishop of New Orleans, urged delegates to the convention of the American Federation of Labor to champion the cause of workers outside the A. F. of L. to bring about in the United States a reign of justice "unprecedented in the history of the world."

The Archbishop spoke at a Mass in St. Louis Cathedral for Catholic members of the organization, arrangements for which were made by Frank Duffy, secretary-treasurer of the Carpenters and Joiners' Union. Mr. Duffy is the father of two priests and the grandfather of another priest and of several nuns.

"That vast army of toilers still outside the pale of your influence and strength," Archbishop Rummel said, "has the same need for organizations and the progressive attainment of their human rights as yourselves. To champion their cause must be for you a solemn duty the sacredness of which is the more urgent because of the prestige you now enjoy."

Reds Must Salute Officers

MOSCOW — Communist Russia, where all men are supposed to be equal and where there is supposed to be no recognition of "rank," has revised its ideas at least where soldiers in the Red Army are concerned. Hereafter, according to a decree issued by the People's Commissar of Defense, Timoshenko, Red soldiers must salute their superior officers.

In discussing the regime on the official Red Army gazette Krasnaya Zvezda (Red Star) says:

"Splitting of superiors and an attitude of disrespect and also an expression of respect to one's chief or to the position he shall occupy is vested. Such a discipline conforms with the supreme law of the Red army and evidences an implicit obedience.

"The authority of a chief is inviolable in the eyes of every soldier. It has to be displayed during military training, in daily life, among military units and outside of them. This obedience will help to enhance authority in the Red army.

"Hitherto military discipline and neat appearance were frequently considered as something harmful, unnecessary and anti-revolutionary. This idea is wrong. Inward cognizance and discipline should be demonstrated by the exterior.

"The rooted belief that soldiers off duty need not salute their superior officers has run its course."

Peace Of Justice, Hate Banished—Pope Prays For War-Wracked World

Austerity In Rites At Vatican

By MSGR. ENRICO PUCCI

VATICAN CITY—Impressive austerity marked the propitiatory services in which His Holiness Pope Pius XII took part in St. Peter's Basilica Sunday.

The Sovereign Pontiff had invited the world to join with him in prayers for a just peace and for the assuagement of suffering occasioned by the war, and by word and example he impressed participants with the solemnity of the occasion.

A plea for a peace of justice in a war-wracked world, eloquent in its supplication and fraught with the deepest anguish, was sent up to Heaven by Pope Pius XII.

As the Holy Father spoke, throughout the world Catholics and many of their non-Catholic Christian brethren knelt in a day of prayer for which the Pontiff had called.

Actually, the Holy Father in his address, which was delivered over the Vatican Radio Station and later presented by radio in the principle languages of the world, besought "all those who believe in Him (Christ)" to "be united around Us" on this solemn occasion.

(Complete text of the Holy Father's radio appeal begins in adjoining columns on this page. See Editorial, Page 8.)

When the Holy Father spoke his moving homily, which was broadcast by radio to the world, it marked the first time that loudspeakers have been employed in the Vatican Basilica. The amplification was perfect and the Pontiff's voice was carried clearly to all parts of the great edifice.

Applause Forbidden

Pope Pius descended from the Papal apartment at 9:45 o'clock Sunday morning. He was on foot, accompanied only by those members of the Papal anti-chamber who are most closely associated with him. No applause marked the Holy Father's entrance into the Basilica, as he had forbidden it because of the austere character of the ceremony. Instead, the "Magnificat" was sung by the congregation as His Holiness made his way across the Basilica.

In the course of the services, a choir made up of students from the various ecclesiatsical colleges in Rome sang "Attende Domine" (Hear Us, O Lord), a penitential hymn taken from the ancient Gothic liturgy; the "Credo," "De Profundis" (Out of the Depths); "Adoro Te Devote" (I adore Thee Devoutly); the Litany of the Saints, the "Miserere" (Have Mercy on Me,

(Continued on Page 11)

Answers Attack On Church-State Views

AMARILLO, Tex. (NC) — A speaker at a convention of a religious group in this State has been taken to task by the Rev. Thomas J. Drury, Acting Pastor of the statement that the Catholic Sacred Heart Cathedral here, for Church, believes "the Pope has the right to dominate the world in both spiritual and material affairs" and that Church thinks it "ought to be intimately connected with State and ought to control its affairs."

Father Drury, in a statement given prominence in the local press pointed out that Catholics in following the Holy Father as "their spiritual leader who guides and governs them in matters that pertain to their spiritual welfare," do not "admit any domination whatever and none has ever been attempted." "Certainly," he added, "they deny that the Pope claims any right of domination in things material."

In reply to the speaker's charge that the Catholic Church-State views are "un-democratic and un-American," Father Drury asserted that "Catholics pride themselves in their staunch Americanism and our democratic principles which they ever strive to uphold. To accuse them of holding views that are un-democratic and un-American is surely poor taste."

Card. Goma's Will Asks Recording Priest-Martyrs

MADRID.—In his last will and testament signed Apr. 2, 1940, when he knew that death was not far distant, His Eminence Isidro Cardinal Goma y Tomas, Archbishop of Toledo and Primate of Spain, requested that the names of his priests who suffered martyrdom during the civil war be recorded on a stone tablet, that the search for the recovery of the artistic treasures of the Archdiocese be continued, and that the history of the Cathedral during this terrible period in Spain's history be written.

Text of Supreme Pontiff's Eloquent Radio Appeal

VATICAN CITY, Nov. 24—Following is the complete English translation of His Holiness Pope Pius XII's Peace Message broadcast today to the world over the Vatican City radio stations:

My Dear Children:

Today's Gospel gives us a large portion of the discourse made by Our Lord Jesus Christ in answer to questions of the Apostles as to when should destruction of the magnificent Temple of Jerusalem take place, so that not a stone of it should be left upon a stone; and what would be the sign of His second coming to the world.

Christ addressed His Apostles, as Saint Matthew tells us, seated on Mount Olivet looking down on Jerusalem and on the massive Temple building. It is a scene at once sad and distinctly austere.

Christ As a Herald

The Word of God made flesh, a Pilgrim on the earth and the seer of eternal ages rises in sublimity as a Prophet above prophets. He, Creator of the world and man, Arbiter of the past and the future that depends upon Him, takes His stand in the center of human history as a herald of the ruin of the old Temple and dispersion of the sons of Israel, just as He had before promised the building upon Peter of the new Temple of His indestructible Church.

He takes His stand as a herald of His second coming when "shall appear the sign of the Son of Man in Heaven; and then shall all tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of Man coming in the clouds of Heaven with much power and majesty.

"And He shall send His angels with a trumpet and a great voice and they shall gather together His angels with a trumpet and a great voice and they shall gather together His elect from the four winds, from the farthest parts of the heavens to the utmost bounds of them" (Matthew 24: 30-31).

"Behold I have told it to you beforehand. Heaven and earth shall pass, but My words shall not pass" (Matthew 24: 25-35).

Word of Saviour Stands

Heaven and earth shall pass. This earth will pass which we tread under foot, which we till in the sweat of our brow, which we survey with our eyes; this earth torn up and tortured by our steel to expose the tombs of the dead past, of eoeval monsters from the unknown shores, of vapors of extinct volcanoes and of mineral veins and liquid fires that disturb the dreams of man and upset his peace.

But if the din of war seems to overcome and drown Our voice, We turn Our gaze away from earth to Heaven, to the Father of Mercies and to the God of all comfort (2d Corinthians, 1:3, Who contemplates all here below and commands the flow of the ocean: "Hitherto thou shalt come, and shalt go on further, and here thou shalt break thy swelling waves" (Job 38:11).

Give Peace in Our Days

To Him beneath Whose Hands in the universal order of events and things the free action of man is restless without being able to evade His providence and inductable counsel; to Him We raise the sorrowing cry of Our heart, imploring from Him better days for the human race, better dawns and better sunsets to our days.

Grant us, O Lord, peace in our days!

No. Our God is not like the idols of the Gentiles that have ears and hear not, have hands and feel not, have hearts and love not. (refer Psalms 134: 15-17.) Our God is love, is charity itself; and we have known and believed in the charity of God toward us: We have known and have believed the charity which God hath to us. God is charity (First John 4:16). This is the mystery of the heart of God, the great mystery of Christianity.

God Will Hear Us

God, with that infinite and tender mercy which is over all His works (Psalms 144:9), will hear us—at the moment and in the manner which He will have disposed—if we send up to the seat of His throne with one voice a trusting and fervent prayer enriched by the humiliations of penance; for it belongs to the Supreme Excellence of the goodness and charity of God not only to bestow life and prosperity on all,

(Continued on Page 11)

Electric Sanctuary Lamps Now Allowed In Emergencies

VATICAN CITY (NC) — In order that lamps may burn night and day before the Blessed Sacrament even in times of emergency, the Sacred Congregation of Rites has issued a decree whereby, in the absence of olive oil or beeswax, other oils and even electric light may be used. Whenever possible, the decree states, vegetable oils shall be the substitute.

The decision in substitution is left to the prudence of the Ordinaries.