

# ST. MARY'S PARISH

## O. L. P. H. Parish SUNDAY MASS AT 5:45

## QUEST

By FRANK COLAPINTO

First Mass on Sundays in Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church is now at 5:45 A. M. It is announced by the Rev. Francis J. Hoefen, pastor. This change in the schedule into the Sunday Mass at this church as follows: 5:45, 7:30, 8:30, 9:45 and 11 A. M., until further notice.

Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra, Jose Iturbi, conducting; auspices Rochester Civic Music Association. Thursday evening, Jan. 8, 1942; Eastman Theatre. Program: Johann Sebastian Bach, "Sheep May Safely Graze" from "Birthday Cantata," transcribed by John Harbittell. Ludwig van Beethoven, Symphony No. 3 in D Major, Francis Frank, Overture. Serge Prokofiev, Classical Symphony in D Major, Friedrich Smetana, "The Moldau."

In a world replacing humor with caricature and reverence with scorn sings the larghetto of the Second Symphony of Beethoven to waken a sense of beauty. If you think the unbalance of food and material supply is the sole cause of our crisis you are half wrong. Today we are without vision, and so we perish. Today we see a man with crippled soul trying to beat a world that crippled him. Today we see a man with crippled soul become conqueror so he can order a world that will solve his frustration and fulfill his sense of beauty. Beauty is a dynamo of moral energy. Distort beauty, disaster results.

Beethoven, ever the explorer of the logic of values, achieved the logic of beauty in his larghetto. We owe gratitude to Jose Iturbi for precise reading of the score. Iturbi deserves our gratitude for the neat performance of Prokofiev, the inspired coupling of Smetana with Beethoven. But Iturbi deserves our boot for playing the overture of Francis Frank, a medley of styles and startling orchestrations entirely unworthy of professional hearing.

Beethoven and Smetana would give any program freedom and vision. Both were born poets of affirmation. Smetana lived consecrated to fruition not only of selfhood but of art in service of human society. Lover of Beethoven, Smetana was a man born during the French Revolution who set himself the task of fighting for and shaping a new life. The Bohemia of his time writhed under the absolutism of Metternich, just as it does today under Hitler.

Smetana stood his ground. From the Corregidor of his spirit he fought back. In "The Gleeful Overture," 1844, he sounds triumph. In "Richard III," 1856, he sounds heroism, even dispelling the gloom of the Shakespearean conception. In "Dalibor," 1868, he sounds resistance of absolute values to the poisons of appeasement and compromise, the corruption and decay of rampant philistinism.

Where is the enlightened leadership that will let the sun of his art work on the sick tissue of our time? There is something positive and beautiful in the work of this brewer's son all of us need. Where is the conductor with the timeliness and enterprise to perform these symphonic poems? Where is the impresario with stature as musical statesman who will promote the production of choral works such as "Farmer's Song," for male choir, a hymn to the beauty of Czech fields, the "Sea Song," and that confession of faith, the "Czech Song"?

Like Beethoven, Smetana loved mankind. Like Beethoven, Smetana immortalized the human simplicities. Who will educate the people in the joyous art of Smetana?

## HOLY NAME ELECTS



Anthony F. Furstoss

Officers were elected and the first activity of the new administration was planned by members of the Holy Name Society of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church on Tuesday night.

Anthony F. Furstoss was elected President. Named with him were: Vice-President, Raymond Lill; Treasurer, Paul Walz; Secretary, Edward Seldewand; Marshal, Edward Campo, and Vice-Marshal, Robert Klehr. The newly elected president is also vice-grand commander of Musca Caravan, Order of the Alhambra.

An "Irish Nite," to be held on Tuesday evening, Feb. 10, was planned by the new officers. Directing the program arrangements are: Honorary Chairman, the Rev. William D. Tobin; Chairman Harry Doolin and Vice-Chairman Thomas F. Herlihy.

The Sodality of Our Lady held its monthly meeting last Monday evening. The new officers were formally installed as follows: Prefect, Marcella Schnorr; Jean Reinhart, Vice-Prefect; Mary Ackroyd, Secretary; Lorraine Sohn, Treasurer. The following chairmen of committees will serve for the new year: Catholic Truth, Ruth Meyerling; Missions, Anna Mae Barrows; Social Life, Frances Rossner; Eucharistic, Ruth Hess; Publicity, Margaret Salber.

William Bleier was the guest speaker of the evening.

## RITE HELD IN MT. MORRIS FOR UNCLE OF TWO JESUITS

Funeral Mass and services were conducted by the Rev. William A. Rafferty, pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Mt. Morris, Friday morning at 9 o'clock for John McAstocker, who died Tuesday morning, Jan. 6, at the Long residence on Genesee St. Burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery.

McAstocker was born in County Antrim, Ireland, and came to Canada when a young man where he was employed as a stone mason for some years, and during his residence at Guelph, Ontario, he assisted in erecting the Catholic Church of that place. He came to the United States and settled in Mt. Morris 45 years ago and, for some years was employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad. He was a member of St. Patrick's Church and Dansville Council, Knights of Columbus.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Mary J. O'Brien, Guelph, Ontario, Canada; two nephews, Jesuit Fathers, the Rev. David McAstocker, Sr., of San Diego, Calif., and the Rev. John McAstocker, Sr., of Spokane, Wash., and a niece, Sister M. Martina, Mother Superior of Loreta Convent, Stratford, Canada.

## Club Meets Jan. 19

Prosperity Club No. 19 will hold its regular meeting, Monday, Jan. 19, at 206 Main St. West. After a short business meeting, games will be played and refreshments served in honor of Dr. Townsend's birthday.

Vladimir Horowitz, pianist in recital Friday evening, Jan. 9, 1942, Eastman Theatre, auspices Rochester Civic Music Association. Program: Scarlatti, Four Sonatas; Chopin, Two Nocturns, F Minor, C Sharp Minor, Op. 63, Scherzo, B Minor, Op. 29; Prokofiev, Sonata No. 5, Op. 82; Liszt, Sonata of the Petrarcha, No. 104; Liszt, St. Simeon's "Danse Macabre" arranged by Horowitz.

Vladimir Horowitz is a pianist young enough, possessed of technique of sufficient competence, to make one hope he will grow in experience, for he can become great. A sound and sensitive musician, he can play with every cell in him, and so achieve dynamic phrasing. He has not only the gift of phrasing but also the passion for music. Will he widen his range as he grows older? Will he deepen his awareness through experience?

He gave the first Rochester performance of the Prokofiev Sonata No. 6 newly arrived in this country. If this Russian master has not set himself the task of organizing the chaos of current values artistically in this work, he has at least accomplished something of suave contours and of pleasing, if not impressive, content. He is neutral in this chaos. He writes, as ever, with fastidious attention to dynamics. If only he would say things urgent and imperious! With a technic like his a poet of genius could shape the new world.

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