

HOLY FAMILY, Auburn

ROSARY SOCIETY MEETS

AUBURN — The regular meeting of the Rosary Society was held on Thursday evening June 11, in the School Auditorium. After the business meeting games were played for attractive prizes and lunch was served. Plans for the Society's Annual Banquet were made at this meeting, which is the last meeting of the Society until fall. Miss M. Irene Cooper is general chairman of the banquet.

SACRED HEART FEAST

As Friday is the Feast of the Sacred Heart, Holy Communion will be given at 8 o'clock and Masses will be offered at 7, 7:30, 8:00 and 8:30 o'clock.

HOLY NAME SUNDAY

Sunday will be the Communion Day for the members of the Holy Name Society and they will receive corporate Communion at the 8 o'clock Mass. Confessions will be heard before the 8 o'clock Mass for those who work Saturday afternoon and evening.

FASTY SLATED

Father Healy will conduct his weekly party in the High School Auditorium on Tuesday evening at 8:30. On Friday evening the Weekly "42" Party will be held at 8:30 in the Holy Name Rooms.

KNEELERS INSTALLED

Holy Family has recently installed some new kneeling pads in their church which the parishioners reports as being very comfortable.

SS. Peter and Paul's SODALITY LAWN FETE

AUBURN — The Young Ladies Sodality and Senior Sodality of SS. Peter and Paul Ukrainian Church will open their summer activities Sunday, June 21, sponsoring a lawn fete on the church grounds. The Entertainment Committee promises a program of surprises and novelties. A food sale will be one of the events and dancing will be held from four to 10:30 and vocal selections, solo and group numbers, will be rendered by the famed Boyan Choir of the parish.

Wins Commission

GENEVA — Gerard Chastres, son of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Chastres of 125 Pultney Street, was graduated from Saint Bonaventure College on Sunday, May 31. He received the degree of Bachelor of Business Administration and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the Field Artillery Reserve.

Wins Legion Essay Award

WATERLOO — Betty Ann Roach, an 8th grade pupil of St. Mary's School, Waterloo, won the highest award in Seneca County for her composition on "Conservation of War-needed Materials." This was an essay contest sponsored by the State Education Department and American Legion.

Miss Roach was presented with a U. S. Savings Bond by the American Legion of Waterloo.

Has Recovered

GENEVA — Miss Caroline Licht, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard F. Licht of 210 Washington Street, has returned home from the Geneva General Hospital and is able to be out again. She has been confined to the hospital since March 28, when she suffered serious injuries in an automobile accident.

Granted Diploma

GENEVA — William P. O'Malley, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. William P. O'Malley of 331 Castle St., received his diploma from Blair Academy on Monday, June 8, at the annual Commencement exercises. During the past year, he was letterman on Blair's Junior varsity hockey team and won his letter with the varsity golf squad.

ST. MARY'S, Auburn

SODALITY COMMUNION

By MARYROSE BARRON

AUBURN — The Sodalities of St. Mary Church held their Annual Communion Breakfast at Springdale Inn on Sunday immediately after the 8:30 Mass at which one hundred Sodalists received Corporate Communion. The guest speaker was Miss Regina Kennedy, an outstanding Catholic worker in the city of Rochester.

The opening prayer was said by Rev. Dennis Hickey, moderator of the Sodality. Miss Patricia Englert sang two solos and she was accompanied by Miss Mildred Carroll who was also the accompanist for community singing.

Remarks were made by Rev. Dr. William E. Cowen, pastor, Father Hickey and the presidents of the Junior and Senior Sodalities. Miss Gertrude Cora was toastmistress and she and Miss Louise Claspert of the Junior Sodality were co-chairmen of the affair. They were assisted by Mildred Carroll, Sarah Hynes, Margaret Lenahan, Maryrose Barron, Marie Barry, Margaret Dolan, Anne Feeley, Margaret Conroy, Elizabeth Beermann, Helen Dietzman, Marjorie Hickey, Kathleen Kelly and Miriam Hickey.

Miss Kennedy chose as her subject the "Standards of Sanctity for the Catholic Woman." She said in part: "St. Francis de Sales said, 'Sanctity does not consist in being odd, but it does consist in being rare.' If you consult the dictionary, you will find that odd means grotesque and fantastical and rare is defined as extraordinary and incomparable. False types of piety do more harm to the cause of sanctity than its other enemies for so many people have such grotesque, distorted ideas about saints. Somehow or other we must get across to ourselves the idea that saints are normal, happy and sane people. It isn't presumptuous to aim at sanctity; in fact to aim at anything less and hope to gain heaven is pure folly for the poet says 'not failure, but low aim is a crime.'"

Since perfection or sanctity is necessary for that personal intimacy with God which we call heaven and since this perfection can be achieved in Purgatory, but at so great a cross, it is well for us to think a little about what we can do to increase and grow in sanctity. Cardinal Mercier has revealed to us the spirit of sanctity

and happiness. He said, "Every day for five minutes, close your eyes to the things of the world, control your imaginations and there in the sanctuary of your baptized soul say to the Divine Spirit, 'Oh, Holy Spirit, enlighten me, guide me, console me, strengthen me. Tell me what I should do. Give me your orders, I promise to submit myself to all that you desire of me and to accept all that you permit to happen to me. Let me only know your will.' That is a wonderful prayer today. There is no questioning attitude, but submission to the Holy Spirit. There is no foolish worry about what will happen tomorrow for we know that whatever comes we will have the courage to bear it. Not that life will be any easier but that we can stand it. St. Francis de Sales tells that the fish in the Beotia River looked like golden fish but that when removed they were just like any other fish. Afflictions are so looked at outside of God's will as bitter but looked at with the will of God they are golden, precious and lovely."

But how can we acquire this grace of intimacy with God? We lead busy lives. How can we detach ourselves from the world and feel heaven within us? We can acquire this intimacy with God, by prayer; acts of self denial such as bridling our tongues and relinquishing our wills; frequent Holy Communion which is the most intimate union with Christ for it was instituted to repair, nourish, sustain and increase this union; the Mass which is the one and only perfect gift in all human history; the Apostleship of prayer which is the offering of one's self to God as the first conscious act of the day; Loving one's neighbor as one's self for God is present in the heart of our neighbor who is in Grace; and lastly 'living the Liturgy' which gives us a necessary change in our prayers and devotions so that we may probe deeper into the mysteries of our faith.

Dom Benedict knew man's great sin was not one of omission but of commission. He knew that men seldom accused themselves of the sin that hurts the heart of God the most—the sin of not loving. He gave 'Joachim' (The Story of the Man who got even with God) two people to love, Jesus the Godman and Mary, His Mother. Remember, we are Christ's. You have not chosen Me; but I have chosen you for all Eternity.

Funeral Rites of the Week in Auburn

St. Alphonsus
John M. Gill, 47, a member of the Auburn Fire Department for the past 23 years and for some time chauffeur of Engine Co., No. 3 died at Mercy Hospital, following an illness of seven weeks. Mr. Gill was born in Auburn. He was a communicant of St. Alphonsus Church and a member of the Holy Name Society of that parish. He was also a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and of the Utopia Club and also of the New York State Firemen's Association.

Mr. Gill who was appointed a regular fireman on July 12, 1920, is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mary Ryan Gill, three sons, Private John M. Gill, Jr., of Fort Warren, Cheyenne, Wyoming; Robert J. Gill and Paul M. Gill, both of Auburn; his mother, Mrs. Catherine Peach of this city; a brother, J. Joseph Gill, a guard at Attica State Prison and two sisters, Mrs. Emmett Wilbur and Mrs. Francis Stevens, both of Auburn.

The funeral services were held at St. Alphonsus Church where a Solemn High Mass of Requiem was sung by Rev. Walter Fischer, with Rev. Gerard Amann as deacon and Rev. Frederick G. Straub as subdeacon. The committal service was read by Father Straub assisted by Fathers Fisher and Amann. The following members of the Fire Department were bearers, Captain Edward Lyons, Captain Timothy Ryan, Howard Shorrey, Martin O'Neill, Charles Kiser and Paul Oliver. A delegation of firemen under the leadership of Fire Chief Fred J. Washbur escorted the funeral procession from the home to the church and then as far as Memorial City Hall, where the Old Wheeler bell tolled as the cortege passed on its way to the cemetery.

St. Francis
Primo Guidotti of 36 Orchard St. died Sunday evening at Mercy Hospital following a week's illness. Mr. Guidotti was born in Italy but came to America when a small boy. He has conducted a merriment business in Auburn for the past fifteen years. Mr. Guidotti is survived by his wife and one son, Angelo, of Auburn and by three brothers, William of Chicago, Guido of Fredonia, N. Y. and Gino of Orchard Park, N. Y. The funeral services were held at St. Francis Church where a requiem high Mass was celebrated by Rev. Bernard Newcomb. Burial was in Mount Calvary Cemetery, Buffalo.

The funeral of Salvatore Guarino was held on Tuesday morning from the home of his son, Joseph Guarino, 16 Wallace Street. A solemn high Mass of requiem was held at St. Francis d'Assisi Church with Rev. Bernard Newcomb as celebrant, Rev. Adolph L. Gabbani as deacon and Rev. John Nacca as subdeacon. The services were largely attended and burial was in the family plot in St. Joseph's Cemetery. The bearers were six grandsons of the deceased.

St. Stephen's (Geneva)

CLUB PLANS DINNER

GENEVA — St. Stephen's Club will enjoy a dinner party at the Seneca Lake Country Club on Tuesday evening, June 12, at 7 o'clock. William Nolan Jr., is general chairman of arrangements.

After dinner, there will be music, cards, and dancing.

Members of the committee include Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Brennan, Miss Helen Glynn, George Davis, Miss Mary Lawler, Charles Fox, Miss Catherine Gilbert, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kirk, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Kelly, Miss Margaret Murphy, Miss Eloise Paulsen, Miss Mary Louise Mahan.

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