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CHARITIES ANNIVERSARY was marked by His Excellency, Bishop Kearney blessing St. Joseph's Villa Wednesday evening by (from left) Msgr. Charles F. Shay, Msgr. William M. Hart and Msgr. William F. Bergan and the Jubilee Dinner at Hotel Seneca where speakers (lower photo) were, Bishop Kearney right, Bishop Walter A. Foery, Syracuse and John L. Keenan, toastmaster.

Villa Blessing Highlights Charities Jubilee

Dedication of St. Joseph's Villa was called a "bright point" in the Silver Anniversary day's program of Rochester Catholic Charities climaxed last night by a brilliant banquet in Hotel Seneca.

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His Excellency, the Most Rev. James E. Kearney, president of Catholic Charities, and His Excellency, the Most Rev. Walter A. Foery, Bishop of Syracuse, were the two speakers at the banquet which was attended by outstanding prelates and priests in social work as well as pioneers, trustees and field workers in Charities, and prominent Catholic men and women.

To round completely out the cottage-home plant for dependent children dedicated that day, Bishop Kearney told of plans for the future including erection of a "Chapel of St. Thomas" as a memorial to the late Archbishop Hickey, the man who founded Rochester Catholic Charities.

Pioneers Participate
The Charities vice-president down through the 25 years, John L. Keenan, was toastmaster. Other charter members of the Board, Augustine J. Cunningham, Thomas H. Green, William T. Farrell and William F. Shaffer and Staff Members Miss Kathleen O'Neil and Miss Elizabeth McSweney, were cited for faithful service.

A former director of Rochester Catholic Charities, His Excellency, Bishop Foery, in congratulating the Catholic Charities organization and commending its progress, said the agency could pause after twenty-five years and examine its "agency conscience" in the light of its incorporation.

Founder Lauded
That document, he declared, is a tribute to the "apostolic heart and mind" of the late Archbishop Thomas F. Hickey, founder of the

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St. Patrick's Pulpit Moved to New Position

An improvement that will be appreciated greatly was the removal and alteration of the large pulpit that dominated the head of the Park Place aisle and caused congestion in the passage of communicants to and from the Communion rail.

The pulpit with its large shell projected over the sanctuary rail. Under the direction of Father Erlen, the pulpit was removed and the pedestal cut off. Casters were placed underneath and the pulpit moved back from the rail. The shell was eliminated.

It is now possible to use the full expanse of the Communion rail.

INFORMATION COURSE BRINGS CONVERTS IN SOUTH

ALEXANDRIA, La. — Seven members of the information course of St. Francis Xavier Cathedral were baptized and received their first Holy Communion in one day in the Cathedral. Last year 18 were received into the Church at the Cathedral. Most of these had received private instruction.

To facilitate instruction, the priests of the Cathedral conduct information courses.

Japs' Reception At Midway Described by Fr. Woloch

AUBURN — Once more Auburn has some direct news from the men in the fighting forces and this time it comes from First Lieut. John Woloch, Catholic chaplain at the U. S. Naval Air Station in the Pacific Ocean.

Mrs. Rose Woloch of 48 Pulaski St. received a letter from her son, Father Woloch, during the past week which said in part: "Here I am again, the same as usual, safe, well and healthy, and still on the job. I trust that you received my recent cable telling of my safety after the heavy raid on Midway. The losses which the Japs suffered off Midway and in the Coral Sea recently will keep them in their own backyard until our forces ar-

rive there to do the final cleaning up. It was an out of the ordinary experience for me but I feel some of the worst from it. The Japs received a very, very unpleasant surprise and a terrific beating. And no doubt their faces must have been awfully red with shame and embarrassment as they fled with what little was left of their forces back to Tokyo and Tojo. They won't dare to come out this way again, because they haven't got much left to come out with. We are back to normalcy now and my only hope and prayer is that you are not worried about me. I will tell you more about my experiences, when I see you, and about the fine and brilliant operations that our boys did on the Japs. We are very proud of our boys, and can assure you that the treacherous attack on Pearl Harbor was well avenged."

Father John Woloch was born in Auburn and was graduated from St. Hyacinth's School, St. John Kanty College in Erie, Pa. and St. Bernard's Seminary, Rochester. During his ten years as a priest he has been assistant pastor in Rochester and Elmira. He volunteered as a Navy Chaplain last October and reached Pearl Harbor at Christmas time. He has been at Midway Island for the past two months.

U. S. Nun In Thailand Reported Interned

GALVESTON, Tex. — Mother Beatrice Hanson, of Galveston, an Ursuline missionary to Bangkok, Thailand, has been interned there by the Japanese, according to word received here. She entered the community about 20 years ago and after ten years of teaching volunteered for the foreign missions.

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MOTHER OF PIETIES
Manchester, N. H. — Mrs. Aulda Dumas, 72, mother of two Catholic priests and a nun, is dead in that city, where she had resided for 47 years.

Msgr. Griffin Honored On 60th Anniversary In Holy Priesthood

CORNING—A High Mass of thanksgiving was sung by the Rt. Rev. James J. Griffin, pastor emeritus of St. Mary's Church on Sunday June 21 at 8:30 A. M. commemorating the 60th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood. Monsignor Griffin was ordained June 21, 1882, by Bishop Ryan of the Buffalo Diocese in the seminary chapel at St. Bonaventure's, Allegheny, N. Y. He was one of a class of 13 of whom he is the sole survivor.

Present at the Mass were the parochial school children, the members of the Sodality of Our Lady of Good Counsel and the members of the League of the Sacred Heart and the Holy Name Society. A large number of the congregation received Holy Communion.

Fellow Priests Attend

Joining in thanksgiving with Msgr. Griffin were fellow priests, present in the sanctuary. They were The Rev. Louis Edelman, Pittsford; the Rev. John A. Smith, pastor of St. Mary's, the Rev. Joseph Guilfoil, pastor of St. Vincent de Paul's, the Rev. Gervaise Mc-

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Bishop Stresses Loyalty In Addressing CHS Class

Loyalty to their school was urged upon 25 graduates of Elmira Catholic High School by His Excellency, Bishop Kearney in the commencement address, Sunday afternoon, June 21 in St. Patrick's Church.

Also graduated Sunday afternoon and evening were 93 students from five parochial schools. The other school—St. Anthony's—had exercises Friday night.

The Rev. William A. Burns, Catholic High principal, presented the class at the exercises and Bishop Kearney awarded diplomas.

Bishop Kearney told the graduates that one of their first loyalties came to their school, saying "The test of your loyalty to your school lies not so much in the lingering affection you feel for it at this impressive moment but rather in your conduct down through the years.

"If you live according to high ideals of life and conduct, which have been taught to you during these last few years," he declared,

"then you will have truly evinced loyalty to your school and church."

Special Honors

Scholarship honors were won by Miss Agnes O'Herron, valedictorian and Edward Gill and Miss Madeline Ruddick, co-salutatorians.

Christian Doctrine awards offered by Elmira Council, Knights of Columbus, went to Mr. Gill and Miss O'Herron.

Miss O'Herron also was awarded the Thomas Leyden Memorial Prize for excellence in study of English and an award for excellence in study of science.

Miss Claire McCarthy was awarded the Elmira College Alum-

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