

# St. John the Baptist (Elmira)

## HONOR SCOUT LEADER

By Margaret C. Kennedy

About fifteen members and friends of Boy Scout Troop No. 44 of St. John's Church, gathered at a farewell party Tuesday evening, September 29th, honoring assistant Scoutmaster, Robert Robbe.

Bob, son of Mr. and Mrs. Simon Robbe of 758 Linden Place, has joined the Signal Corps and is stationed at Fort Monmouth, N. J. Signal Training School.

Games, movies and refreshments were enjoyed and the guest of

honor was presented a gift by the members of the troop.

Arrangements for the party were in charge of Mr. and Mrs. John Loop Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Chisholm.

## Boys In Service

Another name has been added to our honor roll, Charles Gardner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Gardner of 218 Sullivan Street has joined the Navy and is stationed at Newport, Rhode Island. We also hear that Most. Evelyn and Frank Kotzke have been transferred to Camp Shelby, Miss.

# Our Lady of Lourdes (Elmira)

## CHANGE MEETING DATE

Announcement of a change in schedule for Communion Sundays, and of appointment of new committees marked the meeting of the Altar Society of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, held Tuesday, Sept. 29, 1942 Communion Sundays, formerly held on the first Sunday of the month, have been moved forward to the second Sunday Meetings are scheduled for the first Tuesdays every two months.

New spiritual advisor of the society is the Rev. Clarence Gardner, who replaces the Rev. Leo G. Schwab. Mrs. Clarence Beckerman,

President, announced the appointment of the following committees: Nominating committee, who will present a slate of officers for election in the December meeting; Father Gardner, Mrs. Muriel L. McInerney, chairmen; Mrs. Edward J. Bremer and Mrs. Harold A. Barnard, visiting; of new members, Mrs. James E. Casey, of 111 members; Mrs. Leo E. Condit, chairmen; program, Mrs. Daniel E. Kennedy; Christmas party, Mrs. William H. Donovan and Mrs. Glenn W. Updyke, co-chairmen.

The card party following the meeting was arranged by Mrs. G. Donald Flett and Mrs. Edward W. Brown.

# Christ Will Return To Judge All Mankind On Last Day

By Linus Riordan

Christ, who was lifted out of this world in a cloud of glory, will return on the last day with the clouds of heaven as His throne to pass judgment on all men, the living and the dead, the good and the wicked.

It is for that "day of the Lord" that all men, whether they are aware of it or not, are waiting, for it will mark the end of time. Each one of us will have reached that destiny which is to be everlasting ours, in heaven or in hell.

Of that last or general judgment, the Scriptures tell us that Christ will gather all the peoples of the nations together before His throne. He will separate the wicked from the good just as the shepherd separates the goats from the sheep. On His right hand He will place the just and on His left the wicked. He will then make known the good and evil every man has done; even the most secret thoughts and the graces that He has given to each one. "And I saw," says St. John in the Apocalypse, "the dead, the great and the small, standing before the throne, and scrolls were opened. And another scroll was opened, which is the book of life; and the dead were judged out of those things that were written in the scrolls, according to their works" (Apoc. xx, 12-13).

After everyone has been judged, each according to his thoughts, words, deeds, and omissions, the Almighty and Perfect Judge will pass sentence. To the good, He will say: "Come, blessed of My Father, take possession of the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world" (Matt. xxv, 34). To those on His left hand, He will say: "Depart from Me, accursed ones, into the everlasting fire which was prepared for the devil and his angels" (Matt. xxv, 41). The wicked will then go into everlasting punishment, the just into everlasting happiness.

In addition to the general judgment, every person must undergo a particular judgment at the moment of death. It occurs in the very place and instant the soul leaves the body. The sentence that the Sovereign Judge, Jesus, pronounces is most just and irrevocable and immediately thereafter, the soul goes to heaven, if it is absolutely pure; or to purgatory, if there remains the slightest stain to be expiated; or to hell if it is blackened with one or more grave sins.

After the general judgment there will be only two states, heaven and hell. God has decreed that there be a general judgment, in addition to the particular judgment, in order that His wisdom and justice may be acknowledged by all men, that Jesus may be glorified before the whole world, and that the good may receive the honor owed to them and the wicked the punishment they have merited. This last judgment will but confirm the particular judgment, however, and those

it will be passed after the resurrection of all the dead, it will bear upon the whole man. It is only right that the body should share with the soul, its partner in good and evil, the reward or the punishment.

The day of judgment is unknown to us. "Of that day and hour," Christ Himself said, "no one knoweth, not even the angels of heaven, but the Father only" (Matt. xxiv, 36). Scriptures, however, do mention certain signs that are to herald its approach, and we may conclude that the world will not come to an end before these signs appear. Yet no one can foretell the exact time of the last judgment from these signs. Only when they all occur will a reasonable conjecture be possible and even then there will be danger of self-deception.

The principal signs or events usually enumerated are six: The general preaching of the Christian religion over the whole earth; the conversion of the Jews; the return of Henoch and Elias, a great apostasy, the reign of the Anti-Christ extraordinary disturbances of nature, and universal conflagration.

The precise time of the judgment is known only to God and men's attempts to determine exactly when it will take place are but idle speculation.—Western Catholic.

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# Death Roll of Week in Southern Tier

Mrs. Agnes Martin, 87, of Berlin, died Monday, Oct. 1, 1942. She was born in Mount Juliet, Co. Wick, Ireland. Upon coming to America, she settled in New Jersey where she married James C. Brennan. She was a communicant of St. Catherine's Church, Berlin. Surviving are a daughter, Anna of Corning; a son Charles at home; sisters, Mrs. Lloyd McLain and Mrs. Henry M. Boyer of Elmira; brothers James Martin of England and Patrick of Ireland. The funeral was held Wednesday, Oct. 7, 1942 at 2:30 at St. Catherine's Church, Berlin, with the Rev. William Cannon officiating. St. Catherine's Cemetery.

Mrs. Antoinette Gussack, of 704 Benjamin St., died Saturday, Oct. 1, 1942. She is survived by her husband, Anthony; daughter, Mrs. Martha Walker of Newburgh Valley, Mrs. William Duggan of Elmira; sons, Walter of the U. S. Navy, Bernard and George of the U. S. Army, Frank of Elmira; sisters, Mrs. Rose Lullock and Mrs. Michael Abernathy of Kingston, Pa. The Requiem Mass was celebrated Tuesday, Oct. 6 at 8:30 a. m. at St. Casimir's Church by the Rev. John Ciesinski. Bearers were Michael Gussack, Malheur Messer, William Barabak, Stanley Ranievics, John Lentz, Thomas Sawson, St. Peter and Paul's Cemetery.

Mrs. Anna Frederick, 77, of 411 Perine St., died Friday, Oct. 2, 1942. She was the widow of the late Samuel Frederick. Surviving daughters, Mrs. Martha Burdick of

Barre, Mrs. George C. Kracker of home, Mrs. Henry Burdick of Chemung, brother, Charles Young of Williamsport, Pa.

The Rev. Philip McManis celebrated the Solemn Requiem High Mass at 9 a. m. at St. John's Church, assisted by the Rev. Louis Winkler and the Rev. Edward Tuley. Bearers were John Hollman, Michael Tobin, William Corwin, John McKeown, Martin Liddy, Carmichael Sullivan, St. Peter and Paul's Cemetery.

Mrs. Mary F. Murray, of 200 Columbia St. died Sunday, Oct. 4, 1942. She was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Murray. Mrs. Murray was a member of the Acker and Rosary Society of St. Patrick's Church. She is survived by two sisters-in-law, Mrs. Edward Murray and Mrs. Clark Murray. The funeral was held Wednesday, Oct. 7 at 9 a. m. at St. Patrick's Church.

Edward T. Thon, 66 of 202 W. Fourth St. died Wednesday, Sept. 30, 1942. He was a retired engineer of the Erie Railroad and a member of the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks and Station Employees. He was a communicant of St. Patrick's

# U. S. Army Names Converts, Confirmed

LEWISTON, N.Y.—(AP)—Capt. L. L. Landon, 30, of Lewiston, N.Y., and Capt. Henry of L. L. Landon, 30, of Lewiston, N.Y., two American Army nurses, received the honor of Confirmation at the hands of the Most Rev. John Joseph Cardinal Archbishop of New York, at St. Stephen's Cathedral here recently. The two nurses are converts who were baptized in New York in Australia before they could be confirmed in the United States. During a stay in Australia they approached the Archbishop with a request that he confirm them. This request came from their mail while in Australia.

Let's keep our eyes on the news that has been a part of your thoughts in the past week. Church. He is survived by his wife. The Requiem High Mass was celebrated by the Rev. Francis J. Pagan at St. Patrick's Church at 9 a. m. The Rev. John Murphy made the committal service. Bearers were Michael Gussack, Michael Hall, Michael Flanagan, John Murray, Samuel Cross and Arthur Terpoint. St. Peter and Paul's Cemetery.

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