

CHRIST EMPOWERED APOSTLES TO CARRY ON HIS MISSION

By Linus Riordan

The Redemption of man was not to cease with Christ's ascension into heaven; Christ lived and died for all. To insure the perpetuation of His mission, He established and left in His Church through which He taught and the sacraments He instituted would be available to until the end of time.

It was in the three years of His public life that Christ laid the foundations for His earthly kingdom. A visible society that was to represent Him on earth and to lead men to His name to eternal life. He gathered around Him 12 men whom He called His Apostles. He instructed them in His teaching, preached to them the word of God, and empowered them to perform truly divine functions in His name. On them, with Peter as their visible head, He founded His Church to teach, sanctify, and rule all men.

Christ gave to His Apostles generally the same mission that, as the Messiah, He had received from the Father, and He conferred on them the three-fold office that accompanied His mission. The authority to teach, the power to rule, and the power to sanctify.

He conferred the authority to teach when He commissioned the Apostles: "All power is given to Me. Go, therefore, make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and behold, I am with you all days, even unto the consummation of the world." (Matt. xxviii, 18-20).

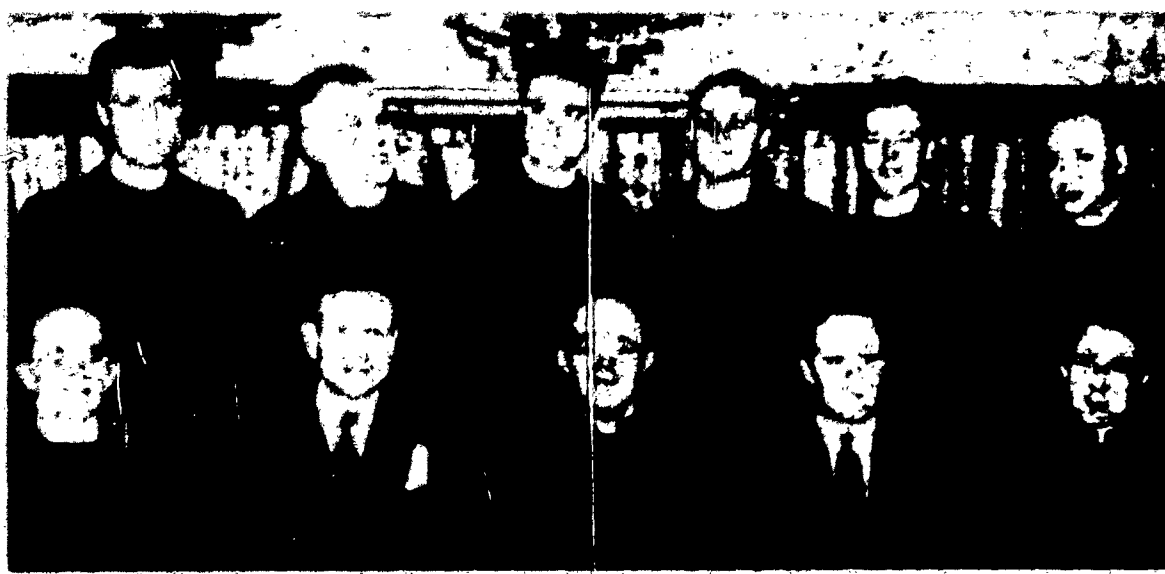
The Apostles were empowered to sanctify mankind when Christ appeared to them after the Resurrection, and said: "Receive the Holy Spirit whose sins you shall forgive, they are forgiven them" (John xix, 22).

The right to govern the faithful by imposing laws on them was bestowed on the Apostles by Christ when He said: "Again, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound also in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed also in heaven" (Matt. xviii, 18).

To the Apostles then Christ gave the full power of carrying on His work of salvation. Not to the Apostles alone, however, was this power given, for Christ came to redeem all men, and, if all men are to hear His doctrine and observe His commandments, then the preaching of the Gospel must continue even after the death of the Apostles—it must go on until time ends. The same powers, therefore, must have been given to the successors of the Apostles or else salvation would be limited to those who lived in the time of Our Lord and His Apostles.

Every person born into this world was to be a potential member of the Church, but not every one would join its ranks, for faith, baptism, and submission to the authority of the Apostles were made the essential conditions of admission. "Go into the whole world and preach the Gospel to every creature. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved, but he who does not believe—shall be condemned" (Mark xvi, 15). "He who hears you, hears Me, and he who rejects you, rejects Me, and he who rejects Me, rejects Him who sent me" (Luke x, 16).

The Church then may be defined as the congregation of all baptized persons united in professing the same true faith, in receiving the authority of the Sovereign Pontiff and the Bishops in communion with him. It is a living body whose soul is the Holy Spirit and whose head is Christ. All the members of the Church are intimately joined with their head, Christ, and with one another, and all have the duty of working for the good of the whole. All are united in the pursuit of a common end, eternal bliss with God in heaven; all have the same common means of attaining that salvation, the sacraments and prayers. The Western Catholic.



AUBURN'S CATHOLIC SCOUT program was spotlighted by the official visit of Kenneth E. Cook, from the National Office, Boy Scouts of America, shown with Cook (second from left, front row) are: the Rev. Michael Lysick, the Rev. Dr. William E. Cowan, Mason Ross, Auburn Scout Executive; and the Rev. John Mack-Rogger. Second row (from left), the Rev. Gerard Cahill, the Rev. Frederick C. Sroub, the Rev. John Bell, the Rev. Richard Torrey, and the Rev. Joseph Mahony.

Recreation Articles For War Prisoners Sought In Campaign Opening Here Feb. 1

The musical instruments and athletic equipment collected in Rochester during the week of Feb. 1-7 for war prisoners in camps all over the world will provide an outlet for their energies and talents. Melvin M. Swartz, chairman of the executive committee stated yesterday in reviewing the plans for the campaign.

"Workers who have visited war prison camps told of the need for these articles to give prisoners some form of activity and diversion and to keep their spirits up while waiting for peace and release."

Already musical instruments and pieces of athletic equipment are being sent to the camps. The actual campaign does not start until the first of the month. Getting things in early will be helpful, campaign officials said, as it will lighten the burden of those working in the drive during the week scheduled for the collection.

Places To Donate

All fire houses, police stations, theatres, schools, war plants and YMCA's are acting as depositories during the drive. The Junior Commandos and members of H-Y clubs are acting as messengers to call at homes and pick up musical instruments and athletic equipment that is being donated to war prisoners. This is being done to help save time of people who are busy working in war industries, and to help those who cannot make a trip to one of the designated depositories themselves.

To have a messenger call at your home, merely call the "Y" at Stone 294, and one of these youngsters, most likely one who lives in your neighborhood, will call within a day or two.

According to an Associated Press report out of Washington, three-fourths of all athletic equipment being manufactured today is now directed to the army. This, plus the fact that manufacturers cannot get needed materials makes it virtually impossible for the War Prisoners Aid of the YMCA to purchase the needed articles, thus they have to resort to collecting those which are already in existence. The storeroom of almost every household has either a baseball, baseball bat, tennis racket, mandolin, or any one of a hundred pieces of athletic equipment or musical instrument. These are the things that are needed in this campaign.

Test Collection

Rochester is one of three cities where a "test" collection of this sort is taking place. It is expected that a campaign on a nation-wide scale will take place shortly.

It is not too early for you to contribute the things you have that you would like to go to war prisoners. Take them to any one of the aforementioned depositories, or call the "Y" if you would like to have the articles picked up.

So that all of these musical instruments and athletic goods can be acknowledged, please attach your name and address to each item that you give.

High team single game—Holy Cross, MS.

"Due to ban on pleasure driving we could use a few bowlers. Please submit names to me as soon as possible," Chas. Hohman, Secretary, said this week.

Types of Materials Needed For War Prisoners Recreation Drive

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

- Violins
- Violas
- Celli
- Banjos
- Guitars
- Mandolins
- Portables
- Phonographs
- Ukuleles
- Zithers
- Saxophones
- Clarinets
- Oboes
- Bassoons
- English Horns
- Trumpets
- Cornets
- Trombones
- Alto Horns
- Tenor Horns
- French Horns
- Flutes
- Piccolos
- Fifes
- Accordians
- Drums
- Harmonicas
- Ocarinas
- Music Stands
- Bows
- Sheet Music (orchestra)

ATHLETIC EQUIPMENT

- Baseball Bats
- Baseball Gloves
- Baseball Balls
- Baseball Masks
- Chest Protectors
- Football Helmets
- Bladders
- Volleyballs
- Bladders
- Nets
- Hockey Sticks
- Football Shoes
- Football Bladders
- Basketballs
- Bladders
- Baskets
- Badminton Rackets
- Shuttlecocks
- Football Pads
- Pucks
- Skates
- Table Tennis Paddles
- Balls
- Nets
- Football Uniforms
- Tennis Rackets
- Tennis Balls
- Tennis Shoes
- Tennis Nets

No Games—Those in charge of the campaign specifically do not want second-hand games such as chess, checkers, backgammon or playing cards. The reason for this is that the censors will not permit second-hand games to leave the country nor to enter prison camps without subjecting them to such scrutiny that the games are damaged beyond repair.

Bowling In Elmira

Top Honors In Church League To DeRenzo

With a 279 game, high for the night, for a start, Sam DeRenzo of St. John's Team in the Catholic Church League added 308 and 173 for a brilliant 660 and the top triple.

The fifth best single game of the season among local bowlers was registered in his 279 game when DeRenzo opened with a spare, threw nine straight strikes, and closed with a spare.

St. Cecilia's		Our Lady of Lourdes	
Connelly	121 121 101	121 121 101	121 121 101
Smith	121 121 101	121 121 101	121 121 101
Prichard	121 121 101	121 121 101	121 121 101
Johnson	121 121 101	121 121 101	121 121 101
McCarthy	121 121 101	121 121 101	121 121 101
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Totals	825 825 825	825 825 825	825 825 825

St. Patrick's No. 2		All-Stars	
Sullivan	147 147 128	Lutz	150 150
McMahon	147 147 128	Prebble	147 147 128
DeRosa	147 147 128	Wray	147 147 128
Byrd	147 147 128	Fisher	147 147 128
Ugno	147 147 128	Morgan	147 147 128
Totals	825 825 825	825 825 825	825 825 825

St. Peter & Paul's		St. John's	
McMahon	152 152 132	DeRenzo	279 283 173
Drake	148 147 140	Shelton	125 143 198
Merr	150 150 150	Backus	153 154 177
Mey	150 150 150	Roselle	173 174 163
Connelly	142 142 150	Rabone	192 149 246
Totals	849 849 849	849 849 849	1021 924 1042

St. Patrick's No. 1		St. Anthony's	
Hosovan	126 126 125	Vendetti	126 126 121
Johnson	126 126 125	Chen	126 126 121
O'Brien	126 126 125	Barrows	126 126 121
Jurphy	126 126 125	LeMay	126 126 121
Claude	126 126 125	McSe	126 126 121
Totals	825 825 825	825 825 825	825 825 825

Nun, Benefactress of Capital Police Reporters, Firemen, Dies

WASHINGTON. — Regarded in the light of a patron by a legion of newspapermen in Washington, Sister Mary Elfreda, 65, night superintendent of nurses at Georgetown University Hospital here, has died. She had been a member of the Third Order Sisters of St. Francis for 42 years and had spent 29 of these years on duty at the hospital.

Sister Elfreda was a particular favorite of the police reporters for Washington newspapers and of policemen. Whenever one of her "boys" was sick, Sister Elfreda would see to it that he was brought to the hospital, where she could care for him as her own private patient. She never inquired whether any of her "boys" was Jew or Gentile, Protestant or Catholic,

and without favor she showered upon all her devoted care.

Sister Elfreda was born Margaret McCloghan in County Donegal, Ireland, in 1878. She came to this country with her parents and they settled in Somerville, Mass. She entered the Sisterhood in 1901.

Opens Centennial

Burlington, Ia. — Commemorating the 100th anniversary of the founding of Clarke College, a Centennial High Mass will be celebrated by the Most Rev. Francis J. L. Beckman, Archbishop of Dubuque, today in the Chapel of the Sacred Heart. The Very Rev. Michael J. Martin, President of Lorain College, preached the sermon.

WHY WORRY?

By LUCIA MALLORY

Issued by the National Kindergarten Association, 6 West 40th Street, New York City. These articles are appearing weekly in our columns.

"Oh, Mother! Do you suppose Daddy will come home all right? What if his car should run off the road like Mr. Whitten's did? We wouldn't have any more nice rides. Daddy would have to stay in bed with his leg all stiff and hard."

"With those expressions of anxiety my brother's seven-year-old daughter had rushed into the room where I was sitting with her mother."

"My sister-in-law placed a comforting arm around the little girl. 'Of course I'm expecting your daddy to come home this evening,' she said. 'Don't he always come back to us when he goes away in the car?'

"Yes, Mother," Betty Anne agreed, "but Mrs. Whitten says it isn't safe to drive on the highways any more. She's worried every time anybody leaves her house in a car. I'm afraid Daddy might—"

"Let's not worry about Daddy, Betty Anne. The mother's voice was reassuring. 'Mrs. Whitten is troubled because her husband did have an accident. His car skidded on the icy pavement. But he will soon be well and drive his car again.'

"Your daddy has to use his car for his work," she continued. "He is a careful driver and he obeys the traffic laws. He is not apt to have an accident. If he did get hurt, we'd just have to take care of him and make the best of it. Would it help him for us to worry about him all the time?'

"No—," Betty Anne admitted, "but I thought—"

Her mother changed the subject abruptly. "Then suppose we go and make some tea for Aunt Lucia. See if you can't find a package of cookies on the pantry shelf."

When Betty Anne's older sister came in from high school later in the afternoon, I heard my sister-in-law deal with the subject of worrying again in the same decisive manner.

"We're having a test in chemistry tomorrow, Mother," Alice began. "I'm so worried I can't think. All those formulas and problems. I'm afraid I'll get them all mixed up."

"You've done very well in your daily work in chemistry, Alice," her mother assured her. "I've had the impression that you were enjoying it."

"Oh, yes! It's the most interesting subject I have." Alice's eyes lighted up as she talked. "Chemistry has something to do with everything we eat and wear. We learn new things in class every day! But we're all worried about the test!"

"Suppose you stop worrying, Alice. Her mother spoke emphatically. 'You've studied your chemistry faithfully all semester. There is little doubt of your making a good grade in the test. Worrying from now until your third period classmate tomorrow would not make the test any easier, would it?'

"Of course not, Mother," Alice gave her mother's arm an affectionate squeeze. "I'll try to take your advice and stop worrying. Don't you ever worry about anything, Mother?'

"Yes," My sister-in-law's answer surprised me. "I do worry sometimes. But I learned a long time ago that most of the misfortunes our worrying leads us to expect never happen. It doesn't make the hardships that do come any easier to meet if we live them over in our imaginations beforehand. Let's all try to avoid the habit of worrying."

Hearing those two interviews made me thankful that my brother's children have a mother who is just as much concerned with their mental health as she is with their physical well-being.

Movie For Chaplains

WASHINGTON, D. C. — An eight-reel, 16-mm sound picture, "The Little Flower, St. Therese," may be secured on a rental basis, according to an announcement in a circular letter of the Rt. Rev. Mgr. William R. Arnold, Brigadier General, Chief of Chaplains. The letter stated particularly, may be secured from the film distributor, Walter O. Gutmann, Inc., 35 West 45th St., New York City.