

# ST. MARY'S, Auburn

## LENTEN SERVICES LISTED

**By MARYANN HANSON**

AUBURN—Lenten Devotions are held in St. Mary's on Wednesday and Friday evenings at 7:30. The devotions on Wednesday evening are combined with the Novena of the Miraculous Medal and consist of the Novena Prayers, Novena, Examen, and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament. The Stations of the Cross are given on Friday evening and are followed by Benediction. The Stations are also said in the afternoon at 3:00 o'clock.

The Stations of the Cross are a meditation on the Passion, Crucifixion and Death of Our Lord. This devotion is continued in an unbroken tradition from the time Jesus Christ ascended into heaven, arose first in Jerusalem, amongst the Christians who dwell there out of veneration for those sacred spots which were sanctified by the sufferings of our divine Redeemer. From that time as we learn from St. Jerome, Christians were wont to visit the holy places in crowds; and the gatherings of the faithful, he says, even from the farthest corners of the earth, to visit the holy places, continued to his own times. From Jerusalem this devout exercise began to be introduced into Europe by various pious and holy persons who had travelled in the Holy Land to satisfy their devotion. This excellent devotion has met with the repeated approval of Holy Church. By Pope Clement XII it was extended to the whole Catholic World; and it is now in constant use with persons of every condition, being moreover, enriched with the following indulgences:

1. A plenary indulgence to those who have fulfilled this devout exercise.
2. Another plenary indulgence if on the same day they go to Holy Communion or if they go to Communion after having made the

Stations ten times within one month.

3. An indulgence of ten years and ten quarantines for each Station, if when they have begun this exercise they are unable to finish it for some reasonable cause. (Decree of the Sacred Penitentiary, Oct. 20th, 1931.)

### SODALITY COMMUNION

Next Sunday is Sodality Communion Day. The sodalists will receive Corporate Communion at the 8:30 o'clock Mass. The Junior Sodality will meet on Tuesday evening in Lyceum Hall following Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament in the Church at 1:30 and the Senior Sodality will meet on Wednesday evening in Lyceum Hall after the devotions.

### DISCUSSION CLUB

The Discussion Club Leaders will meet on Sunday evening in the school after the Novena Services.

### RELIGIOUS ARTICLES

Religious Articles are on sale in the vestibule of the Church on Saturday afternoons and evenings; Sunday morning between the Masses, and on Wednesday evenings. A new supply of Prayer Books was received during the week.

### HOME GARDENING

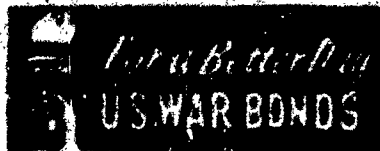
The Home Gardening Committee appointed by Mayor Brister is completing its organization. St. Mary's Father McNamara is a member of the committee.

### DAILY MASSES

There are Masses every morning in St. Mary's at 7, 8 and 12:10 o'clock.

## 150th Anniversary

NEW ORLEANS. The Most Rev. Joseph F. Rummel, Archbishop of New Orleans, has appointed the committee that will be in charge of the celebration, May 12, of the 150th anniversary of the founding of the archdiocese.



Waste regulates most European farm products and foodstuffs, leaving the conquered people to starve. To fight this thievery the farmers have devised a favorite weapon of the North American Indian, the **FLAMING ARROW**. Dutch and Belgian vigilantes creep near to, storage barns at



night and wing their darts into them. The arrow tips have been impregnated with liquid which ignites as it drips. Scores of barns are fired each night.

If the vigilantes are caught they are shot.

We in America have escaped the horrors of occupied Europe and may fight the Nazis by less dangerous methods.

The best you can do is to invest more in United States War Bonds.

U. S. Treasury Dept. War 7415

## Catholic Nurses Report Published

WASHINGTON.—The biennial report, together with proceedings of the first biennial convention of the National Council of Catholic Nurses held last May 25-27, has been published. It was announced by the N.C.C.N.'s national headquarters here, and copies may be obtained from Mrs. B. C. Hewitt, the secretary of 200 West Third St., Gordon, Nev. The convention was held in Detroit with the Most Rev. Edward Mooney, Archbishop of Detroit, as episcopal host.

# ST. ALPHONSUS, Auburn

## PLAN SPRING BANQUET

AUBURN—The Immaculate Heart of Mary and Rosary Society held its March meeting in the Parish House on East Genesee Street on Monday evening. A playlet entitled "Pat and the Law," given by the Mothers' Club was enjoyed. The special Easter award was given to Mrs. Frank Nagman and the attendance honor to Mrs. E. Vandercloot. The annual spring banquet will be held in May at the Imperial and the date will be determined at the April meeting.

Mrs. Lawrence Salzer spoke of the movie, "The Story of the Vatican," which will be shown at the Capital Theater on April 6, 7 and 8 under the auspices of the Catholic Daughters of America. The narrative of "The Story of the Vatican" is by Rev. Magr. Fulton J. Shien.

### BID PRIEST WAREWELL

The Catholic Action League held their March meeting on Wednesday evening at the Parish House on East Genesee Street and it was a farewell party in honor of their moderator, Rev. John Merklinger, who has been transferred to Hornell. Father Merklinger has been moderator of the Society for only eight months but in that short space of time he has done a great deal for the organization and its members have benefited from the spiritual help which he has given them.

Father Merklinger was the guest of honor at the party. He has been appointed assistant pastor at St. Anne's, Hornell, where he will be associated with Rev. Walter Fischer, a former assistant at St. Alphonsus. Miss Athleen Reid, president of the Catholic Action League, presented Father Merklinger with a remembrance on behalf of the Society and in a brief address expressed the appreciation of the members for all that Father Merklinger had done to make their Society a real Catholic Action Club.

Miss Reid said: "In wartime we are told that we are minute men, and there's more truth than poetry in that—one minute I think being president of our society isn't too difficult, but the next minute—as fast as that—I find it pretty difficult to try to fill the office requirements—and hard, it is to try to put into words our appreciation for what our spiritual advisor, Father Merklinger, has done and helped us in do since he has been with us."

"What I can say is that since Sunday I have talked with many of you all agree as to our spiritual gains, and as one of you said, 'We should feel thankful for having had the privilege of knowing Father Merklinger, and feel happy for those who will now have that privilege.'

"If there are to be fewer priests to help us at home to fortify the Prayer Front, it means one thing—we are going to have to do more in this direction ourselves—so with the help that Father Merklinger has given us, we will carry on, assisted by our new spiritual advisor, who will have to remember, will not have too much time to spend with us, but he is certain to make the most of that time."

"So even if we have made your tasks hard, Father Merklinger, we hope that you'll forgive us and we wish you the best of luck."

"And Father, though we are heavy eaters at our meetings, please remember, that we absorb more than material food. Come to visit us whenever you can and we'll call a special meeting. May this remembrance help keep the Catholic Action League of St. Alphonsus ever in your thoughts and prayers."

Father Merklinger responded fittingly to the address and so that each member of the Society would remember him he presented each one with a parting personal gift. It was a booklet entitled, "In the Vineyard Essays on Catholic Action."

The March meeting was in charge of Miss Louise Shien and her committee which consisted of Josephine Ketchum, Dorothy Wallace, Margaret Gruehl, Rita Burns, Katherine Monahan, Katherine Murphy and Gastana Watts. A group of girls from the large and well trained choir of St. Peter and Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church gave vocal selections that were warmly received and encores were requested. In the group were Hela Kachnyk, Clementine Sawaryn, Mary Oprisko, Pauline Sawaryn, Helen Mrygiel and Pearl Oprisko.

Election of officers will take place at the league meeting which

will be held on Wednesday evening, April 27. Miss Marjorie Lewis was appointed chairman of the Committee on Nominations. Miss Eleanor Hal was appointed chairman of the April session.

### SQUIRES PATRIOTIC

The Columbian Squires met on Sunday evening and planned a patriotic program for the coming months. Squire Kierst started the boys thinking by moving that a representative donation by the Circle be made to the Red Cross Fund of Auburn in appreciation for the work being done by that organization for all the boys at war, in particular it was noted how former Squire "Chipmunk" Clifford recently wounded in action in Africa is feeling the warmth of the kindness of the organizations. How many other Squires of the 136 now serving in the country's colors have been similarly helped by the Red Cross could not be stated, with any degree of accuracy, but it is known that all will receive the care and kindness if they need it.

On the home front, each Squire is looking forward to a good harvest victory garden. Squire Walsh passed out the No. 1 Leaflet of the United States Department of Agriculture. Chief Counselor Rev. Frederick G. Strank offered the boys the benefit of his early years of farming experience and agreed to a suggestion from the floor to hold special sessions for planning how to get the most out of every garden. A contest is planned this season with prizes for the best products from Squires' gardens.

Father prior, Rev. Gerard Gelfell, explained another victory contest which began last week. Chickens, rabbits, ducks, pigeons and such like are being raised by each Squire and the prize specimens will be placed on exhibition later in the season. Squire Atkinson has a head start with a pair of rabbits two weeks old and many fear they will have a mighty hard time to keep up with his wartime production. Chief Deputy Squire Chayka reported his spring brood of chicks "The best yet."

### SODALITY COMMUNION

Next Sunday is Sodality Communion Day and the members of the Blessed Virgin's Sodality will receive Corporate Communion.

## U. S. CHAPLAIN LOCATED IN ITALIAN PRISON CAMP

HOBOKEN, N. J. — The Rev. Stanley Brach, formerly assistant pastor at St. Peter and Paul's Church here and now an Army chaplain, who was reported missing in action in December in the North Africa war theater, has been located in an Italian prison camp, according to advice received from the Vatican, it was announced here. The reports stated he was well.

## Canadian Missioners Open Field In Cuba

PONT VIAU, Que.—With their mission fields in the Philippines and Manchukuo closed to them because of the war, the Society of Foreign Missions of Quebec Province have opened a new field in Cuba.

The Rt. Rev. Magr. Edgar Laroche, Superior General of the Congregation, said requests for their cooperation had come from the Most Rev. George Cartiers, Papal Nuncio to Cuba, through the Most Rev. Hieronimo Antonelli, Apostolic Delegate to Canada and Newfoundland.

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