

Faithful Prepare To Observe Holy Week's Solemnity

Bishop Will Officiate At Cathedral Rites Opening Holy Thursday

Solemn services of Holy Week with their significance increased by war's demands on the "Prayer Front" will open throughout the diocese next week with the Palm Sunday rites.

His Excellency, the Most Rev. James M. Kearney, D.D., Bishop of Rochester, will officiate in the great West Cathedral on Holy Thursday and Good Friday and will bless the Palms at St. Bernard's Seminary at a Pontifical Mass on Palm Sunday at 8 A. M.

In all the other churches of the diocese, the solemn devotion of Holy Week will be carried out as the faithful are given opportunity to meditate on the sufferings and death of the Redeemer so significantly brought out in the liturgy.

The Rev. Dominic Grande, C.P., of New York will be at Sacred Heart Cathedral on Good Friday where at 12 o'clock noon His Excellency, the Bishop will offer the mass of the Presanctified. Services during the "Three Hours of the Cathedral" will consist of the Sermon on the Passion, Stations of the Cross, and meditation.

On Holy Thursday, the Bishop will officiate at Solemn Pontifical Mass and the Blessing of the Holy Oils at 10:15 A. M. The Tenebrae will be sung in the presence of the Bishop at St. Bernard's Seminary at 4 P. M.

At St. Patrick's Church, Plymouth Ave. North, on Holy Thursday evening at 10 P. M., the Kelleny will conduct the Holy Hour of the Nocturnal Adoration Society.

Services on Holy Saturday will begin at 7 A. M. with Monsignor Burns officiating. They will consist of Blessing of the New Fire.



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REV. MICHAEL L. CENTRON, son of Mr. and Mrs. Steven Centron, 34 Upton Park, Corpus Christi parish, has been reported missing in action in North Africa. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus Choral Society and of Corpus Christi Church choir.

Blessing of the Paschal Candle and Blessing of the Baptismal and Easter Water and the Mass of Holy Saturday.

Bishop Kearney will officiate at St. Andrew's Church on Good Friday at 7:45 P. M. The sermon will be preached by the Rev. Dominic Grande, C.P.

Solemn Pontifical Mass will be celebrated on Easter Sunday at 10:15 P. M. by the Bishop and Father Dominic will preach the Easter Sermon. The Cathedral Men's Choir, directed by Raymond J. Hasenauer, will sing the joyous Easter music.

The thought of the world to come will always make us happy, and yet strict with ourselves in all our duties.

Holy Name Union Calls Off Diocesan Meeting; Urges Monthly Program

Calling off, after serious consideration of war conditions, the annual convention of Rochester Diocesan Holy Name Union, this year, the Executive Committee is suggesting a specific monthly program for the parish Holy Name Societies.

Action of the Executive Committee is announced in a letter sent out last week to Pastors, Spiritual Directors and Officers of the Holy Name Society. The letter is signed by the Rev. P. William Stauder, Spiritual Director; Frank E. Wolfe, President, and Lewis A. Schurz, Secretary.

Suggested program includes: for April, Spiritual Bouquet for the Pastor; May-Mother's Day Eucharistic Remembrance; June-Election of Officers and invitation to High School Graduates to join the Holy Name Society.

The Diocesan Holy Name Union officers recommended that each parish society actively participate in promoting the week-end laymen's retreats at Our Lady of the Lake Diocesan Retreat House, Geneva. The letter points out that the government recommends vacation periods and stresses the advantages of a spiritual week-end at the Retreat House.

Attention is called to the practice in many parishes of an all-night vigil before the Blessed Sacrament on Holy Thursday night and urge the Holy Name Society to sponsor such a devotion for all members of the parish.

The Diocesan Union reports that it is now cooperating with the United Service Organization in supplying Catholic prayer books and missals at the centers provided for service men in the Rochester Diocese.

Learns Coming Nazareth Soloist Is Own Cousin

At least one Rochester music lover has experienced a thrill of joy since the announcement of the Nazareth concert, May 12, at the Auditorium theater, featuring John Feeney, noted New York tenor.

Mrs. C. J. Alling of Patzer Street has been taken back in memory to her childhood in Ireland when the grandparents of John Feeney sang the hitting melodies of their life to an audience of eager listeners.

After reading the Catholic Courier announcement last week Mrs. Alling called Sister Imelda, director of the Peruvian choir, to tell her that the Nazareth concert tenor is a cousin whom she has never seen.

Since Mrs. Alling left Ireland many years ago when the baby cries of John Feeney, Jr., were just giving promise of the power that would bring fame in Great Britain and America, she is happy to know that in the city of Rochester he will give a concert, in which, she feels, he will endeavor to bring to the hearts of music lovers.

Nor does Mrs. Alling feel that New York critics are too lavish in their praise when they speak of his magnetic personality and fine sense of showmanship along with the excellence of his voice which is leaving its stamp upon our times.

"All his family distinguished themselves in Ireland," said Mrs. Alling. "As John Feeney is doing in America, Mr. Feeney comes from a generation of singers who developed their talent with great resourcefulness."

Inter-School Musicians To Be Heard In Concert

The Inter-Parochial Grade School Orchestra will present a Concert at Aquinas Institute, Saturday afternoon, May 14. The Orchestra is made up of 60 pupils from the various Catholic elementary schools of Rochester.

Sponsored by the Superintendent of Schools, it was started a year ago to afford an opportunity to musically talented children of parochial schools to enjoy the numerous advantages of ensemble playing. Raymond J. Hasenauer, the Director, is in charge of the program which will feature solo numbers.

'Historical Study' Topic Set For Verein Discussion

In view of the recent discussion arising out of the survey made by the New York Times regarding the study of American History in high schools and colleges, the Catholic Central Verein of America, Rochester Branch, will discuss the resolution adopted by the National Convention in St. Louis last year and entitled "Historical Study."

The discussion will take place at the regular meeting of the Branch to be held Sunday afternoon, Apr. 18, at 2:30 P. M., at St. Joseph's Hall, Franklin St. Members are urged to read carefully the National Resolution. This resolution, among other things, says, "Knowledge of a people's past is essential to those shaping the present and planning for the future. It was a distinguished American who said: 'As the past of an organism decides its future, so the future of a people is already written in its past.' And that past should be known to every serious minded citizen of our great republic."

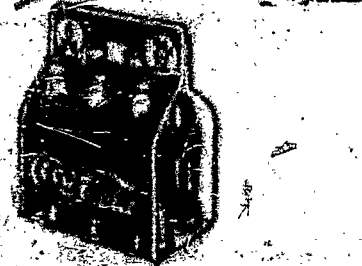
Reports will be made of the meeting at Syracuse on April 4 of the Executive Committee of the State and the regional meeting held in connection with the sessions of the executive committee. Preparations will be completed for the annual celebration of the Great Labor Encyclical. This celebration will take place on Sunday, May 16. Rev. Louis Baumann, C.S.S.R., will be the speaker.

The members of the National Catholic Women's Union, Rochester Branch, will be the guests of the men at the Apr. 18 meeting.

Pastor In Army

Lemoore, Calif. - The Rev. Charles A. Strass, who was pastor of St. Peter's Church, here, has been commissioned a chaplain in the Army, and has reported for duty at Camp Haan.

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