

Official Organ of The Rochester Diocese... With the Approval of the MOST REVEREND FATHER EDWARD KEARNEY, D.D., Bishop of Rochester

THE CATHOLIC COURIER has an enthusiastic approval... I find it hard to understand how any Catholic can be so indifferent as to what is happening in his church throughout the world as to help upon unfavorable stories of information or news to which no information is given.

JAMES E. KEARNEY, Bishop of Rochester

PATRIOTISM IN ACTION AT HOME

In our camps far and near and on our ships patriotism is in action. Young men and women are now numbered in millions in our army and navy and their auxiliaries. All of them are fighting for America and for all America holds dear.

Patriotism at home is likewise in action! Our plants are humming with industry as they never hummed before our workers old and young are giving added hours and added energy to the war of production.

The new call for needed war funds comes in the national appeal now made for \$15,000,000,000 in various forms of government securities.

The need is great, the cost is high, but the only alternative is more and greater disasters to our armed forces through a prolonged war.

Buy your full share of War Bonds, buy all you can possibly arrange for. It is needed help for America, it is your investment in liberty.

HOLY WEEK

The Angel of the Annunciation told Mary that her Son should be called holy. Mary sang her praise of God in the Magnificat: "Holy is His name!"

This week is holy in its events and in its effects. It saw the entrance of Christ into Jerusalem in glory on its opening Sunday, when leaves of the palm trees were strewn before Him in the way.

This week is holy also in its effects. "All the world has shared in the effects of Holy Week, because Christ died for all men. Every human heart has shared in the holiness of this Week of Weeks."

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Catholic principles taught in church and parochial school build strong citizens for America in time of peace; they prepare brave and patriotic soldiers in time of war.

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"Tenebrae" of Holy Week

By Rev. Benedict Khmann

Every good Catholic wants to spend some time in Holy Week bringing the Passion of His Redeemer close to his mind and heart. What better way to do this than to sit and kneel like a little child with hands joined as the priest reads for the death of the beloved Jesus?

That is why the "Tenebrae" service is so dear to those Catholics who are acquainted with it. Very few churches have this service any more; unfortunately, it will be restored more and more.

HOLY WEEK BOOK

Let come prepared with a Holy Week book in which does not contain the "Tenebrae" service. Holy Week books are obtainable at any good Catholic book-store.

On Wednesday afternoon, the "Tenebrae" comprises the Matins and Lauds of Good Friday and on Friday afternoon the Matins and Lauds of Holy Saturday.

The word "Tenebrae" means "darkness" and that is a very good word for this service, because, all during it, twilight is increasing outside, and inside the church, the candles on the large, triangular, fifteen-branched candlestick in the sanctuary are being extinguished one by one.

A New Law

Mark up a new law in the alleged "causes" for which a man is ready to break the solemn compact of marriage. Out in California an aircraft executive has sued for divorce on grounds that his wife "lacks glamour."

It's the wise Jap who steers clear of the Solomon. - Walker-Early Times-Leader.

There are more than 3,000,000 deserted children in the United States. - The Ace Market.

QUERIES and REPLIES

What is the Meaning of the Skull and Crossbones Affixed To Crucifix?

According to an ancient tradition, Adam the father of the human race was buried in the way east where our Lord died. This tradition tells us also that a copy of the Tree of Life which Adam took from Paradise was placed as a family memorial of his transgression in the place where he wished to be buried.

EASTER ESTATE

By Norbert Engels

(Written for N.C.C.C. Easter Supplement)

I give to men the Beauty that He made, And Love and sometimes Peace. I give them grass Green on a gentle hill, each secret blade.

Birds in the dawn and blooms in evening, red And gold and green, and more than all of these, His blood in mine I give. I give Him dead, jointure of earth and heaven upon rude trees.

Along The Way

What? Not Churchill Too!

By REV. DANIEL A. LORD, S.J.

Just for fear you may have missed it and might find it in a rather light-colored column rather than on some editorial page, I call your attention once more to the remarks of Mr. Winston Churchill.

"One of the most comber anxieties besetting those who look thirty, forty, or fifty years ahead—and in this field one can see ahead only too clearly—is the dwindling birth rate. In thirty years, unless the present trends alter, a smaller working and fighting population will support nearly twice as many old people and in fifty years the position will be worse still."

If the country is to keep its high place in the leadership of the world and survive as a great power that will hold its own against external pressure, our people must encourage by every means large families.

Well, what do you know? England, the land of birth control, right out for big families. Maybe the lesson of France did sink in.

Meanwhile I find that our government allows you to claim exemption for money that has been contributed to the cause of promoting birth control.

In other words, you don't have to pay patriotic taxes if you help the birth controllers wipe out our population.

Somebody wasn't listening when Mr. Churchill talked.

Paying the Penalty

The students in the girls' college had for a long time been calling upon the taxi company to ferry them back and forth to the shopping district. Then it began to dawn upon them that the service was very poor.

At length one of the managers came out and talked it over with the faculty. His explanation was a simple, primitive lesson in economics—and social relations.

The girls he explained, usually came into town and returned to grips of five. The fare was exactly made up cents. All the

way, they talked glibly, naturally, and with no intention of bragging about their plans. They intended to lunch well; they had designs upon a play or a movie; they talked about the dress they meant to pick up . . . twenty or thirty dollars; about the pair of shoes they were purchasing perhaps ten or fifteen dollars. Then when they came to split the cab fare, they argued over who would pay the twenty cents and who the fifteen cents that made up the final ninety-five.

The drivers don't demand a tip, the manager explained respectfully; "but the girls give the impression of plenty of money—lunch, a show, new clothes, shoes. They had lots for everything they wanted . . . and nothing for the man who serviced them. So the drivers just forgot when we sent them out to the college, or picked up another passenger along the road. It's not right, of course, but human nature being what it is . . ."

And that seems to be the basis of a lot of economic, social problems—that simple matter of human nature being what it is.

Feast Days

- Sunday, Apr. 12—PALM SUNDAY. Monday, Apr. 13—ST. ELPHIEGE. Tuesday, Apr. 14—ST. THEOTIMUS. Wednesday, Apr. 15—SPY WEDNESDAY. Thursday, Apr. 16—HOLY THURSDAY. Friday, Apr. 17—GOLD FRIDAY. Saturday, Apr. 18—HOLY SATURDAY.

The martyrs of Christ feared neither death nor pain. They lived not to themselves, but for Him, and found in death itself the way to life.—St. Augustine.