

# St. John the Baptist (Elmira)

### FATHER URBAN CURRAN ADDRESSES SOCIETY

The importance of religion in the lives of good Catholics was the subject chosen by the Rev. Urban Curran, C.P., principal speaker of the Seventh Annual Mother's Day Communion Breakfast of Our Lady's Sodality, St. John the Baptist Church, held Sunday, May 9, at the Mark Theatre Hotel. About 100 Catholics were present.

Father Urban urged the Catholics to be good Catholics, by being loyal to the teachings of Holy Mother Church and by practicing and vitalizing their daily actions by their Catholicism.

He stressed the importance now when Christian influence is attacked on every side, for the Catholic to strive to put down the prejudice of the world and spread Catholicity.

Catholic men and women can show their cooperation and loyalty by being fearless in practicing their religion. Catholicism is not just a Sunday action; it influences every action in life and every moment in life. It enlightens and controls the lives of all; the employer and the employee; the husband and wife; the young man and the young woman; and even the politician in performing their duties and carrying out their daily tasks.

Referring to the bedlam of confused ideas in the world today, Father Urban spoke of the failure of some Catholics, in upholding the principles of Catholicity. "It is not an example of broadmindedness to say one religion is as good as another." The Catholic knows and accepts the teachings of the church as the only true religion. It is necessary to be on guard against the dangers presented by the radio and the press; dangers of an atheistic, Godless world. Catholics need to pray for one another to be strong in their belief and practice of their faith. The true and loyal Catholic takes as a motto the inscription above the main arch of the Cathedral at Milan: "Nothing matters but what is eternal." Thus Christians motivate and vitalize their every action with the thought, "My religion alone is important, for it leads to the eternal."

Miss Margaret G. Kennedy presided at the breakfast and welcomed the Socialists. Mrs. John E. Bacon entertained with organ music.

# St. Casimir's (Elmira)

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Twenty-nine children of St. Casimir's Parish received Holy Communion for the first time at the 8 o'clock Mass on Sunday, May 9, having marched in solemn procession from the school to the church. The Rev. Ladislav Uscipinski offered the Mass, and the Rev. John Czaplinski was in the sanctuary.

The group, which included 24 boys and 5 girls, was entertained at a breakfast in the school hall, sponsored by the Wanda Circle. Mrs. Martina Venczele was in charge.

# Msgr. Sheen To Return To Auburn For Lecture

AUBURN.—The Rt. Rev. Msgr. Fulton J. Sheen of the Catholic University of America will lecture on "The Perils of Our Times," in East High School Auditorium, on Friday evening, June 11, at 8:15 P. M.

The lecture is under the sponsorship of the Lyceum Players of St. Mary's Church assisted by a large group of prominent persons in Auburn.

Monsignor Sheen, who is internationally known as a platform orator, has just completed another series on the national Catholic Hour. He lectured in Auburn last May on the topic "Religion in a World at War."

The lecture committee is headed by Miss Helen Stapleton as general chairman. Harold Bellier is in charge of arrangements. Fred Armstrong is advertising manager assisted by James Elmore. Miss Isabel Stapleton and Mrs. Fred Armstrong are Co-Chairmen of the Ticket Committee. Ticket sale opened Tuesday.

# NEW CHEMISTRY BUILDING

YONKERS.—An image of the Sacred Heart has been officially hung in the new chemistry building of the official University of Antioquia at Medellin.

# Death Roll of Week in Southern Tier

Mrs. Anna M. Cummins, 64, 764 Carpenter St., died Monday, May 10, 1943. She is survived by her sisters Sarah C. Catherine, and Inez Elmira; brothers John and Thomas, Elmira.

Requiem Mass was celebrated by the Rev. Richard Stanton at St. Cecilia's Church at 9 a. m. Thursday, May 6. Rev. Arthur Smith officiated at the cemetery. Bearers were Ira Wilcox, John Halpin, William Young, Roy Kent, St. Mary's Cemetery, Horseheads.

Mrs. Nellie Hopkins, 75, 563 Franklin St., died Monday, May 9, 1943. Surviving are sisters Mrs. Margaret Rowan, Mrs. Michael Tobin.

Rev. William Tobin of Corning, nephew of the deceased, celebrated the Requiem Mass at 9 a. m. on Wednesday, May 8 at St. Mary's Church. Rev. Joseph J. Hogan and Rev. Francis E. Hester were in the sanctuary. Bearers were John McBenett, Arthur J. McCarthy, George Kruckow, Martin Liddy, Walter Burke, SS. Peter and Paul's Cemetery.

Mrs. Mary E. Keefe, widow of Thomas, 440 Pennsylvania Ave., died Thursday, May 6, 1943. Surviving are sister, Mrs. James Durkin, Soranton, Pa.; brother Thomas L. Kelly, Geneva.

Requiem Mass Monday, Apr. 10 at 10 a. m. at St. Mary's Church, celebrated by the Rev. Joseph T. Brown, nephew of the deceased, assisted by the Rev. J. J. Moriarty and Rev. Francis E. Hester. Rev. Joseph L. Hogan was in the sanctuary. Bearers were Edward Butler, John Keefe, Raymond O'Neill, John Nash, Edward Leahy, Nicholas Durkin, SS. Peter and Paul's Cemetery.

Edward V. Kennedy, 58, formerly of Elmira, died Tuesday, May 4, 1943 at his home in New York City. Survived by sisters Mrs. Leo Young, Binghamton, Mrs. John J. Bird, Clifton, N. J.; brother Harold, New York City.

The Rt. Rev. Msgr. John J. Lee celebrated the Requiem Mass at 11 a. m. on Thursday, May 6 at SS. Peter and Paul's Church. Bearers were James McCarthy, Dennis McCarthy, Joseph Cronin, James Cronin, SS. Peter and Paul's Cemetery.

Michael Puckett, 205 McCauley Ave., Elmira Heights, died Wednesday, May 5, 1943. Surviving are his daughters, Mrs. Edward Puckett, Frank Hinrich, Carl Cherkis, Leon Susch, Elmira Heights, Mrs. Joseph Patra, Wharton, N. J.; sons, John, Joseph, Frank, Elmira Heights, Paul, U. S. Army; Stanley, U. S. Navy.

Requiem Mass at 9 a. m. at St. Nicholas Church, Elmira Heights, on Saturday, May 8, by Rev. W. B. Dowhovitch. Bearers were Lt. Joseph Peszek, Stanley Peszek, U. S. Navy, Frank Peszek, nephews of the deceased, Metro Mowhan, Bertram Ray, St. Nicholas Cemetery, Town of Horseheads.

John W. Easter, 300 Fox St., Requiem Mass celebrated at 10 a. m. on Saturday, May 8, 1943 by the Rev. Leslie G. Whalen. Rev. Edward J. Tolster conducted the service at the grave in SS. Peter and Paul's Cemetery.

Thomas F. Kane, 317 Norton St., died Thursday, May 6, 1943. He is survived by his wife, Ann; daughters Mrs. M. Devlin, Shirley Ann; sons, Thomas, Jr., Michael, John, James, Patrick; sisters Mrs. Edward Elston, Elmira, Mrs. Bernard Mittenford, Buffalo.

Due to forty hours devotions at St. Cecilia's Church, the Requiem Mass was celebrated at SS. Peter and Paul's Church on Monday, May 10, at 9 a. m. by Rev. Edward Tolster, Rev. Leslie G. Whalen conducted the service at the cemetery. Bearers were Patrick Nelson, Daniel Reidy, Matthew Fennell, Joseph Cronin, James Ruffy, Ferguson Rogers, SS. Peter and Paul's Cemetery.

Michael Witcki, 1249 N. Main St., died Friday, May 7. Surviving are his daughters, Mrs. Jacob Rohde, Mrs. Albert Kruckow, Mrs. Violet Murphy; sons, Frank, Joseph, William, Elmira. Served with the Army in Iran, John with the Army in North Africa; sister, Mrs. Michael Kamas, Elmira; brothers, Martin, Simon, New Jersey.

Requiem Mass Monday, May 10 at 9 a. m. at St. Casimir's Church, celebrated by the Rev. L. J. Siczepanski, assisted by Rev. John Cieslinski and Rev. Joseph F. Hogan. Bearers: Leonard Kamas, Chester Kamas, Joseph Stachowski, Stanley Stachowski, Walter Wichtowski, nephews of the deceased, SS. Peter and Paul's Cemetery.

# Our Lady of Lourdes (Elmira)

### CARD PARTY COMMITTEES

The following committees have been announced for the annual spring card party to be held on Tuesday, May 13, at the school hall:

Tickets Chairman Mrs. G. Donald Miller, assisted by Mrs. Donald Miller, Mrs. E. J. Bremer, Mrs. Humphrey Connelly, Mrs. Fred Wambacher, Mrs. Leonard Goldberg, Jr., Mrs. Thomas Herman, Mrs. St. L. McInerney, Mrs. Daniel Kennedy, Mrs. C. A. Mowry, Mrs. Clarys Beckerman, Mrs. Paul Holman, Mrs. E. W. Brown and Mrs. Fred Roberts.

Serving, Chairman Mrs. Daniel Sullivan, assisted by the Misses Patty Ann Macky, Mary Helen Macky, Virginia Corry, Mary Joan Casey, Marie Perrotti, Jean Sullivan, Mary Thomas, Barbara Poppleton, Josephine Kenedy, Natalie Sullivan, Phyllis Sheridan, Beverly Eichel, Jean Kurylohn, Mil-jorie McCarthy.

Mrs. David E. Crew is general chairman.

# Holy Name Juniors

The Holy Name Juniors of the parish sponsored a dance for the young people at 8 P. M. on Thursday, May 13, in the school auditorium.

# St. Cecelia's (Elmira)

### FORTY HOURS CLOSING

With solemn benediction and the giving of the papal blessing by the Rev. Joseph Grivity, O.M.I., the Forty Hours Devotion at St. Cecilia's came to a close at 7:45 Tuesday evening.

The final sermon preached by Father Grivity explained the meaning of the love for which Christ in the Eucharist is asking—that men live up to the principles which come from the Eucharist and from their hearts, and that these motivate their whole life.

# New Publication

BELLEVILLE, Ill.—The first issue of a four-page periodical, which will be published monthly, titled "Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows," has been printed here by the Oblate Fathers of Mary Immaculate. The publication contains news of happenings at the Shrine in the small chapel of St. Henry's Preparatory Seminary, here, and of the Oblate Fathers in mission fields.

# COMMUNION BREAKFAST

One hundred mothers and daughters attended the joint Communion breakfast held on Mother's Day, May 8, by St. Anthony's Sodality and the Daughters of Mary at the church hall, having received Communion at the 8 o'clock Mass.

The Rev. Albert Simonsell gave a brief talk on the subject of motherhood. Frs. Lena Carasco of the Sodality and Helen Bonawit of the Daughters also spoke a few words of welcome. A poem written by James Spenser, now in the service, and dedicated to his mother, was read by Teresa Pirozola. Marguerite Cleri acted as hostess.

Present at the speakers' table were the Rev. Lawrence Sansom, and the officers of the two societies: Modality, President, Lena Carasco; Vice-Pres., Frances Della Rocca; Sec., Philomena Liberatore; Treas., Nancy Sano; Daughters of Mary, Pres., Helen Bonawit; Vice-Pres., Florence Lucy; Sec., Teresa Pirozola, and Treas., Teresa Della Rocca. Those attending enjoyed group singing.

# Children's Program

St. Anthony's, in charge of the children's entertainment to be held on Sunday, May 16 at 8 p. m. in the school hall, announces the program as follows:

"A Day in the Kindergarten" — Kindergarten children.

Violin Exhibition — Mrs. Leonard Capalano.

Chorus Speeches—First and Second Grades.

"On Strike"—Fifth Grade Girls.

Bo-peep Drill—Third and Fourth Grade Girls.

Song—"My Own United States"—Eight Grade Graduating Class.

Class Prophecy — Eighth Grade Graduating Class.

Class Song—"When the Golden Sun is Melting"—Eight Grade Graduating Class.

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# MARCHING DRILL—FOURTH AND FIFTH GRADE BOYS

"Shortening Bread"—Third and Fourth Grade Boys.

"Why Do We Have to Go to School?"—Sixth Grade.

"The Squire's Rooster"—Francis Treccia and Edward Ross.

Indian Club Drill — Sixth and Seventh Grade Boys.

Victory Drill—Seventh Grade Boys.

The singing of the Star Spangled Banner opened the program. Pianists accompanying the children were Mrs. Marie Feste and Mrs. Robert Andrews.

# St. Teresa Triduum

A pleasant feature of the Triduum to be held in honor of the Little Flower on May 15, 16, and 17 will be the traditional blessing of roses by the pastor. These are distributed among members of the parish making the devotion who take them home to keep in honor of the little Saint who loved them.

Public prayers in her honor, veneration of her relic, a short sermon, and benediction make up the evening services, which start at 7:30 p. m.

# Service Stars

Special service emblems for Catholics have been designed, with a blue star on a white cross. These will be sold at St. Anthony's Church, following the Tuesday novena services.

# Win Creative Awards

DUBUQUE, Ia. — Miss Mary Hoffman, senior, and Miss Joan Lechtenberg, junior, at the Academy of the Visitation here, won honors in the 1943 Drake University, Des Moines, Creative Awards, sponsored by the Department of Journalism of Drake. This is the tenth year the contest has been held.

Miss Hoffman won first place for interviews and Miss Lechtenberg won first place in the Sports Column. Judges were members of the staff of the Des Moines Register & Tribune, secular newspaper.

# Others Swell Pay

A young man employed in an office along with some 200 other clerks was quizzed as to how he was apparently able to live so far beyond his \$50 salary. "That's easy," he explained. "Every Saturday morning I sell chances to all the other clerks for a dollar a chance. Then we hold a drawing to see which one of them gets my pay check."

# One Forgotten

"I'm very short-minded myself," said a hitherto silent man. "I often find names and telephone numbers written in my notebook, but can't remember what persons they represent. Recently I had a general checking up. The name and address of one man baffled me, so I wrote to him asking if he had ever heard of me, and if I was supposed to do something for him.

"He wrote back a cordial letter, saying I had already done it. Wife's first husband."

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