

Ladies of Charity to Mark Feast of Co-Patroness

By Mary E. FitzGerald

Members of the Ladies of Charity of Elmira and vicinity will observe the Feast of St. Louise de Marillac, Co-patroness of the Society, on Sunday, March 11.

The observance will begin with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes Church at 9 a. m. His Excellency, the Most Rev. James E. Kearney will be the celebrant of the Mass and will officiate at the Affirmation Ceremony of new members, which will follow.

The sermon will be preached by Bishop Kearney, who will also speak at the Communion Breakfast which is scheduled for 10 a. m. at Mark Twain Hotel. He will share the speaking program at the breakfast with Lady Armstrong, President of the New York Ladies of Charity. Mrs. John F. McCormack, recently appointed to the Presidency of the local unit will preside.

An invitation to attend the Mass and Breakfast is extended to the public, particularly to the friends of the Ladies of Charity. Lady Armstrong, an internationally known speaker, will be remembered by those who were privileged to hear her in June 1940 on the occasion of the first affiliation ceremony of the Ladies of Charity. His Excellency, Bishop Kearney needs no introduction to an Elmira audience. His message is always new and a source of inspiration to those who are privileged to be his listeners.

Preliminary plans for the Feast, which falls on March 10th, but is observed on the preceding Sunday, are being made by Miss Helen Kingston, who is General Chairman. To assist her, she has asked Mesdames Samuel Terwilliger and Edward Privity to act as Co-Chairmen of the Ticket Committee, Mesdames Bertram L. Comstock and John B. Reman to head the Florist's Committee and Misses Rose Kingston and Vera M. Spator

as Chairmen of the Church and Hotel Unions, respectively.

This annual affair will be attended by several hundred members and friends of Elmira's largest volunteer organization.

St. Charles Parish Lists Retreat

A parish retreat will commence in St. Charles Sacrament Church on Sunday, March 5th, and will continue with services each evening until closing services on Sunday evening March 6.

The Rev. Vincent Rosta, O.P., of New York City will conduct the retreat.

Masses will be celebrated each morning at 8:30 and 7:30 with evening devotions at 7:45.

Organization of the Holy Name Society and Young Ladies Sodality will be undertaken at the same time.

The children's Mission will be conducted by Father Rosta in the afternoon on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

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Daily Mass—7 o'clock Benediction—4:30 o'clock (Sunday only) Visiting Hours—9:30-10:00 a. m. 2:00-4:30 p. m.

Marine Chaplain Heard At Scout Breakfast

The annual Communion Breakfast of the Scouts and their Fathers of St. Mary's parish, was held last Sunday at the Hotel Longwell following reception of the Blessed Sacrament by the group at the 9 o'clock Mass.

Andrew Van Houty acted as toastmaster and introduced Lt. John V. Loughlin, Marine Corps Chaplain who told of his vast experience in the Pacific theater of war.

Alfred P. Quirano, Scoutmaster, presented registration cards to the following Scouts and Scouts: Edward Kane, John Vergara, Martin McCarthy, Daniel Manning, Richard Labanti, William Hogan, Vincent Ryan, Robert Hardiman, Thomas Golden, James Ostrander, John McCarthy, Thomas Malloy, Jerome Kane and Daniel Keating. John Burns, assistant scoutmaster, presented scout class badges to Bernard Rada, Gordon Bennett, William Bennett, Charles Smith, Ralph Reed, Walter Brown, Francis Bedrows, Andrew Van Houty and Joseph Hogg. Tenderfoot badges were awarded by Theo C. Bayles, committeeman and Francis Mauer, cub pack leader, presented awards to his group. Mr. William B. Bennett of local Scout headquarters gave a brief history of Scouting which in observing his thirty fifth anniversary this week. A program of music was under the direction of Miss Eleanor Sullivan. The Rev. Joseph L. Hogan, assistant at St. Mary's church was present.

St. Leander, Bishop

—was one of the glories of the Spanish Church, was the eldest of five brothers. He entered a monastery when very young and in time his virtue and learning led to his elevation to the See of Seville, when Spain was in the possession of the Visigoths. He became the instrument of converting the nation to the Faith. He died about the year 654.

Priest Defines Church Unity In Talk to Hornell CDA

By Deborah R. Harahan

HORNELL.—"Because Jesus Christ, who is God, has founded a Church, His Church has all truth."

This was the message of the Rev. L. John Hodges, assistant pastor of Immaculate Conception Church, Hornell, in the principal address at the annual banquet of Court St. Ann, Catholic Daughters of America, Feb. 21, at Hotel Howard.

Father Hodges' topic was "Unity in the Catholic Church." Among the 172 members and guests attending the affair were 16 new members who were especially honored.

"The Catechism teaches," said Father Hodges, "that the Catholic Church is one because we profess the same true faith, the same seven Sacraments, the same apostles and are united under the same head who is the Pope."

"In any attempt at unity by other churches, the foundation of such unity must be the principles of Christ. There can be no unity except in agreement with the truth as taught by the God man."

"Any unity must be upon Christ's terms. The Catholic Church has always agreed with Christ that 'all might be one.' We follow His teachings that our love for one another be the sign by which we are recognized as Christians. But even to achieve unity, there can be no compromise with truth," he continued.

"In a letter to the Bishop of the Catholic Church, Pope Pius XI in 1928 appealed to all those outside the Church to be reunited in the unity of Christ's Kingdom. The Church is that kingdom."

"The Holy Father awaits with open arms for that unity under the banner of Jesus Christ."

Mrs. O'Donnell was toastmistress at the banquet and gave the address of welcome. Benediction was given by the Rev. Andrew T. Dorset and benediction was given by

the Rev. Joseph McCarthy. The Revs. Joseph Demoran and John Neely were guests at the banquet also.

Among those present were Mrs. Gertrude Hodges and Miss Mildred Hodges, mother and sister of Father Hodges.

Entertainment for the evening included vocal solos by Miss Marie Frayer accompanied at the piano by Miss Helen Livermore and by Robert Gray accompanied at the piano by Miss Mary Matthews who played throughout the dinner hour. Mrs. Nora Moore gave a reading, "A Toast to Abraham Lincoln."

The new members included of course, at the Federation Building Sunday afternoon by Mrs. Leo O'Connor, regent, Mrs. Madeline Doris Maher, Martha Leahy, Catherine McInerney, Arden Bayle, Louise Bell, Eleanor Murphy and the Misses Mary Catherine McAndrew, Marjorie Green, Mary Agnes Deane, Rosemary King, Ann Marie Kuhn, Mary Lela Watt, Deborah Harahan, Mary Elizabeth Green, Kevin Kuhn, Louise Jancik.

Miss Margaret Barrett, district deputy, from Corning was present in addition to several other CO of A members from Corning.

Q—Is the priest, or the one making his confession, bound by the seal of the confessional?

A—No. He may tell his sins up what the priest has told him.

However, the solemn Catholic, generally speaking, respects the Sacrament of Penance too much to speak lightly of matters that brought to the confessional.

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