Chaplains Praised at K. of C. Dinner; Rite Enrolls 45 New Ladies of Charity

THE BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE, His Excellency, Bishop Kearney, (center, top photo) came to Elmira Sunday morning for Ladies of Charity Patronal Feast Mass. With the Bishop in photo are John F. McDermott, President, Ladies of Charity (left) and Lady Arrowsmith, guest speaker from New York. In the evening the Bishop addressed the Knights of Columbus. All present at the K. of C. speakers' table were: (lower photo from left) Chaplain Leslie C. Whalen, Chaplain Raymond G. Hebert, Grand Knight Eugene F. Agan and Chaplain Frederick F. Schrenk.

Bishop Officiates At Patronal Feast Affiliation

By MISS MARY E. FITZGERALD

More than 300 members and affiliates attended the Mass marking the Fifth Annual Observance of the Feast of St. Louise de Marillac, co-Patroness of the Ladies of Charity, Sunday at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Elmira. At the Mass celebrated by His Excellency, Bishop Kearney, the members received Holy Communion in a body.

The Bishop officiated at the affiliation ceremony for 45 following the Mass. Assisting were the Rev. Leo G. Schrenk, Reverend Moderator of the Elmira Unit, Ladies of Charity.

Following the Act of Consecration which they repeated after Bishop Kearney, the 45 were presented to Arabella Phillips, as the representative present, of the service of our Lady Queen Circle, in the gift of the Rosary. Each lady received a crucifix from the Bishop.

In the course of the Mass, the Bishop's remarks on the Feast of St. Louise de Marillac and the importance of the Ladies of Charity in the present critical hour, formed the core of his sermon. He said that the feast of St. Louise de Marillac was especially appropriate at this time because of the part women are playing in the present world crisis.

Quoting Pope Pius XII, the Bishop said that the Holy Father has called upon women to be more active in the affairs of the world, to be more conscious of their responsibilities as citizens, and to be more zealous in the practice of their religion.

Following the Mass, a breakfast was served in the Mark Twain Hotel for the Ladies of Charity and their guests. Mrs. Theodore A. Byrne, president of the Ladies of Charity, was Toastmistress for the occasion. Mrs. Byrne introduced Bishop Kearney, Most Rev. Thomas H. Byrne, Supreme Grand Knight; David [illegible], Elmira, Chancellor; John T. Hogan, treasurer; Basil J. Walsh, escort, trustee; Robert L. Fuller, recording secretary and banquet chairman, and Frank K. Hinde, Lecturer and toastmaster.

Attorney Anthony R. Curt was toastmaster for the occasion.

500 Attend St. Patrick's Dinner of Elmira Council

That "the Captain is a link with the home" for boys in the armed forces was emphasized by His Excellency, Bishop Kearney in extolling service chaplains, at the seventeenth annual St. Patrick's banquet of Elmira Council, Knights of Columbus in Mark Twain Hotel, Sunday night.

Starting out the Bishop's hundredth of service chaplains was the glowing account given by Lt. Comdr. Frederick F. Schrenk, Roman Catholic Chaplain at Sampson Naval Training Center and famed as the "Confessional Padre."

500 Attend

Nearly 500 Knights of Columbus, their ladies and guests, representative Elmira citizens, attended.

Bishop Kearney in his address stressed the debt owing to men of high character, many of whom gathered in the ballroom, and how he had come with Chaplain Schrenk to the service of other K. of C. chaplains and with Chaplain Schrenk to the service of other chaplains.

"I am sure that many of you have had occasion to be grateful for the ministrations of the chaplains," he said. "I am sure that you have appreciated the fine spirit of the chaplains, the Army, the Navy and the Marines, the Army and the Navy nurses.

"There are two who are [illegible] Lt. Comdr. Frederick F. Schrenk, Chief Chaplain and Former Chaplain of Elmira Council, Knights of Columbus, friendly, informal Protestant and Jewish boys as well. Do not be selfish in your praying.

"You must remember when you pray for your own dear ones that you must also pray for others on earth as all years of good will. You cannot 'play' for a universal peace that does not only in so more war in this country of ours, but that will include whole universe."

He decried having hatred and bigotry in the heart while praying for the boys.

"I have seen one of these boys kill his enemy, Father Chaplain said, 'and I have seen with my own eyes old and [illegible] in enemy blood. Bishop F. Agan

[illegible] Lt. Comdr. G. Whalen, Marine Corps Chaplain and Former Chaplain of Elmira Council, Knights of Columbus, friendly, informal

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