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Bishop Counsels 41 St. Joseph's Nurse Graduates

Forty-one nurses of the St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing, Elmira, received diplomas at the 35th annual commencement exercises Sunday evening in the Little Flower Chapel of the Dunn Memorial Nurses Home.

Speaking was His Excellency Bishop James E. Kearney of Rochester, who sent the graduates on their careers with the words of the Saviour to His Apostles: "As the Father has sent me, I also send you."

Bishop Kearney declared that while many might consider it strange to conduct graduation exercises in a hospital chapel, he believed that it was altogether fitting to do so because of the part the chapel had played during the nurses' training period.

Consequently, he said, it was only right that they should receive their diplomas in the chapel where they could fittingly share their glory and honor with God.

Editor Succeeds Father Stauder As Diocesan Holy Name Director

Danville—A strong plea for the "total dedication of their manhood" to the cause of Christ was the keynote message made to over 200 delegates attending the Rochester Diocesan Holy Name Convention here Sunday.

Keynote speaker was the Rev. Dr. Robert E. Dillon, vice-chancellor of the Syracuse Diocese.

The Rev. F. William Stauder announced to the delegates his resignation as Spiritual Director of the Diocesan Holy Name Union, which he has guided since its inception 13 years ago.

Father Stauder introduced, as his successor the Rev. Patrick J. Flynn, associate editor of the COURIER JOURNAL.

E. Edward Shindler, member of the Executive Board of the Diocesan Holy Name Union and a past president, proposed a testimonial to Father Stauder in appreciation of his Holy Name work. The resolution was adopted unanimously by the convention.



Bishop's Blessing Given Elmira Babies

The sun broke through the clouds to smile upon more than 600 infants, mothers and children, who were on their way to St. Patrick's Church last Sunday afternoon. Elmira's Second Annual Babies' Day was certainly enthusiastically greeted by hundreds of grateful parents, whose privilege it was to bring their children to the Shepherd of this Diocese for his blessing.

Although the ceremony was scheduled for four o'clock, the first babies were brought an hour before that time and were given places in the front pews. From the moment when His Excellency, the Most Reverend James E. Kearney took his place in the sanctuary promptly at half past three, two unbroken lines of mothers, fathers and children, moved up the center aisle to the sanctuary and left the church through the side door.

New Babies, 1945 editions, squirming toddlers and lively three or four year olds were held lovingly in the arms or firmly by the hands of mothers and fathers. Strange to say, most of these young children were quiet but here and there a piercing wail was echoed by some "little one" seeking special attention.

The infants seemed to recognize a friend in their Bishop, with the exception of a few shy ones, who became a little frightened as they neared the altar railing. After the second kneeling of fear, Bishop Kearney smilingly removed his mitre, thinking that the unusual appearance of such a head covering might be responsible for the sudden burst of tears.

Like the apostles of old, the members of the Committee of Our Lady of Good Counsel tried several times to hurry the next family group to their places at the Bishop's feet. But His Excellency showed no evidence of haste. At the end of two hours, he gave just as much time to the last of his guests as he had to the first one who knelt before him at half past three.

Bishop Kearney asked the name and age of each child, pecked into blankets at the small babies and shook hands with each child and parent. His individual blessing was bestowed upon each member of the family groups, as the parents knelt and the tiny children stood before him.

So friendly was their Shepherd in Christ, that a tiny hand often reached for the Bishop's face, clutched at his fingers or played with his stole. Not once did he hurry on to the next ones, nor did he kindly interest vary. There was a special work of sympathy, too, for a young mother, whose baby never saw its father, lost in the armed forces, and for the saint of a motherless babe.

Yes, Babies' Day in Elmira was

Hornell C.D.A. Hear Dignity of Woman Upheld

Christian civilization will be preserved only if Catholic women begin to measure up to their God-given dignity, the Rev. Paul J. Gibbons told a gathering of more than 100 members of Court St. Ann, Catholic Daughters of America at the annual Communion Breakfast.

"Among the group on the subject, 'The Dignity of Womanhood,'" Father Gibbons declared: "Our world is facing a moral crisis. Today we wonder if our civilization will be able to withstand the terrible impact of the anti-God forces which assail it. If Christian civilization is to be preserved, it will be largely because our women realize their God-given dignity and responsibility and measure up to it."

"Convinced of the important role woman is to play in this struggle for the preservation of civilization Pope Pius XII last year addressed to all women a stirring message to remind them of their grave responsibility."

One Thus Vocation

Outlining the three fields of vocations in which woman may be engaged, Father Gibbons mentioned briefly the religious, single and married states.

"In marriage woman acts as the architect who with her husband fashions that most beautiful of sanctuaries, the Christian home."

"A woman may be called," he continued, "to sacrifice—human love and home for the religious state, where bound by the vows of poverty, chastity and obedience, she strives to rear her spiritual children in the image of Christ, or to minister to the sick and suffering Christ in His poor and unfortunate members."

"Some women are called to lead a single life in the world, engaged in worldly activities. Such a one does not lead a frustrated life as the world would have us believe. Her privilege is to be the architect of the welfare of Christians, whether in the factory, the office and the school-rooms, thus leading others indirectly to Christ."

"The forces of evil in our world have assailed, by false philosophies, the dignity of woman. Based on the assumption that they honor woman the more they make her like a man, they strive to make her forget and abandon her God-given dignity and responsibility."

In totalitarian states, the cry is to free woman from the shackles of the home and to work as a man, side by side with him. This false teaching undermines the home, thereby striking at the very root of civilization.

"The mother who neglects home and family for equality or for money has become a traitor to God and country. Every weak family represents a weak link in the chain of the nation."

Members and guests were welcomed by Miss Mary Halloran, Grand Regent, who congratulated the Court on the large attendance.

Mother's Day Communion Calls Out Holy Name Men

With the Rt. Rev. Magn. Shaky, pastor of Holy Rosary Church, Rochester, and diocesan consultant, coming as guest speaker, final plans have been completed for the Elmira deanery Holy Name Society Communion Breakfast to be held in observance of Mother's Day, Sunday.

The breakfast to be attended by more than 1,000 men of 14 societies will be served in Mark Twain Hotel.

The Rev. William J. Neaghton, recently appointed Deanery Director of the Holy Name Society by His Excellency Bishop Kearney, announced that the breakfast will be a capacity affair and a capacity attendance is expected.

Members of the various Holy Name Societies will receive Holy Communion in their respective churches and the breakfast is scheduled for 9 a. m. A national delegation of 100 men from New York State will receive Holy Communion in a body at the 7:30 Mass in St. Peter and Paul's Church.

Home 104 Years Old

Longwood, N. Y. (NC) — Friends and relatives gathered at 10:30 Sunday at St. Anthony's Home here, to celebrate the 104th birthday of Mr. Joseph J. Quinn. Mr. Quinn is celebrating his 104th birthday at St. Anthony's Home here. Except for his eyes, Mr. Quinn is enjoying good health.

MOTHER CARRIES NOVENA TO OFFER

The annual Novena in the name of the Blessed Virgin Mary, which is being carried out by the Holy Name Society, will be held in the Little Flower Chapel of the Dunn Memorial Nurses Home, Sunday, May 13, at 7:30 p. m. The Novena will be carried out by the Holy Name Society, which is a branch of the Holy Name Union of the Rochester Diocese.

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Special Duty Deceased

Bishop Kearney reminded the graduates that they were entering into not only the medical world but the spiritual world as well and declared that their work concerned the saving of souls as well as of lives.

The graduating class presented to Bishop Kearney by the Rev. Philip E. McGinn, Hospital chaplain, included:

Sister Florence Miriam and Sister Saint Magdalen, Sisters of St. Joseph of Brentwood, L. I.

Elmira: Margaret Butler, Eleanor Carey, Teresa Clet, Jean Driscoll, Constance Hayes, Teresa Milliken, Mary Ellen Murphy, Margaret Norwood, Catherine Pearson, Jayne Sampson, Anne Szoraky, Shirley Slaght, Elaine Wagner, Shirley Weston, Sister Catherine, Sister Josephine, Sister Catherine Arnold, Maureen Cotter, Mary-Lou Westfall.

Corning: Ann Marie Fehr, Marguerite Kinney, Celia Serdu, L. Rochester: Agnes Hanley, Beverly Hudson, Eileen Scharr, Birmingham: Doris Kane, Marjorie Keefe, Thana: Mary Cain, Margaret Crowley, Addison: Helen Thompson, Horseheads: Susan Shappee.

Guests: Mary Britton; Toga: Pa. Maria Carlton Cook; Painted Post: Rosemary Cowley; Ili: N. Y.: Nancy DeSano, Sayra, Pa.: Mary Margaret Greney.

Hornell: Patricia Grace Hen, de; Columbia Cross Roads: Marjorie Matteson; Troy, Pa.: Dorothy Nash; Johnson City: Patricia Noonan.

Patricia Grace Hennessy of Hornell was awarded the Rev. Francis J. Walker Memorial prize for obtaining the highest scholastic average.

Solemn Benediction of the

Tridium Listed in St. Anthony's

A Tridium in honor of St. Theresa, the Little Flower, will be held in St. Anthony's church, Elmira, on May 15 through May 17. Speakers for the three days will be, in order, Rev. Ignatius St. George, assistant pastor at St. Anthony's, the Rev. Joseph Merlet, of St. Peter and Paul's and the Rev. John S. Maloney of St. Patrick's.

Leaflets, containing special prayers for the Tridium to be recited by the congregation will be available. Again this year roses will be blessed and distributed.

The Rev. Albert L. Simonetti, pastor, has designated the following aides for the Tridium: Conceita Lal, Antoinette DeSocio, Antoinette Curio, Cecilia L. St. Rose D'Abracl, Filomena Ferrero, Laura Girardi, Rose Caporiccio, Saveria Coletta, Clara Catherine, Mary Bonagnora and Francesca Carozza.

Musical Tea Set at Lourdes

Mrs. Daniel F. Kennedy and Mrs. Donald H. Miller, co-chairmen of the annual Musical Tea announce complete plans and committees for the affair to be held on Sunday afternoon from 3 until 5 in Our Lady of Lourdes Church hall, Elmira.

Table service and reception are in charge of past presidents Mrs. Clarence Beckerman and Mrs. Francis Woods; past treasurer Mrs. Edward Bremer is in charge of refreshments; decorations will be arranged by Mrs. John H. Burke, Jr., past secretary. Mrs. Daniel F. Kennedy and Yvonne Sokella are in charge of the musical program.

Affiliate with NCCW

Newest affiliation to the National Council of Catholic Women, both national and diocesan, is that of the Altar and Rosary Society of Sacred Heart Pro-Catholics.

Parish to Honor Mothers Sunday

Mother's Day will be observed in St. Anthony's Church, Elmira, with all members of the parish receiving Holy Communion as a fitting tribute to their mothers.

A Communion breakfast has been arranged to be held at the Langwell Hotel following the 8 o'clock Mass and the speaker will be Francis T. Mogro. Samuel LeMarr will act as toastmaster.

Adolph Cirilli has been named as chairman with Samuel Rossi, president of the Holy Name Society and Miss Mary Frances Mogro, Socially President as co-chairmen. Aides for the occasion are: Yolanda Della Rocca, Margaret Stefan, Josephine DiNardo, Mary Distefano, Mary Spaziani, Max Tournour, Thomas Maycumber, Richard Pinelli, Peter Caporiccio, Anthony Morrell Jr., Anthony Mason and Peter Rossi.

A musical program has been arranged under the direction of Mrs. Marie Fort, Miss Rosalie DeDonofrio and Charles Leone.

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