

### St. Joseph's First Mass 100 Years Ago

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Reminiscences in the United States. The first sermon at that dedicatory Mass was preached in German by the Rev. J. S. Hespeler, C.S.B.

On the afternoon of that memorable day one hundred years ago, the Rev. Bernard O'Reilly, pastor of St. Patrick's Church, the other Catholic church in Rochester, officiated at Benediction.

**Native Priests' Home**  
New York — (NC) — A new building, the Villa Canali, has been bought in Rome by the Society of St. Peter the Apostle for Native Clergy for the purpose of housing native priests of mission lands for post-ordination studies.

### St. Joseph's First Mass Of Century Ago Described

(What happened at the formal dedication of St. Joseph's Church in Rochester just one hundred years ago tomorrow? Here is an actual account of the historic event which appeared in "The Eastern Post." It was written by "J. R.," a reporter whose identity is unknown.)

July 27, 1848  
Mr. P. Donohoe:  
Sir—One yesterday (Sunday) another Catholic Church was added to the number with which our city has already been blessed. This makes the fifth Catholic church that has been dedicated to the service of Almighty God in Rochester. A procession was formed in front of the old church, between the hour of nine and ten A. M. and marched two deep. A splendid band joined the choir in chanting the Psalms during the procession; the clergy in attendance were dressed in surplices; the Very Rev. Father

Crackert, Superior of the Redemptorists in the United States, was officiating at high altar and was clothed in cope. When the procession arrived in front of the new edifice, the ceremony of dedication commenced. On the conclusion, a grand High Mass was celebrated, the Very Rev. Superior celebrant, assisted by the Rev. G. Beranek, C.S.B., and Rev. J. S. Hespeler, C.S.B., as Deacon and Sub-deacon, and Rev. F. Tachenhaus, C.S.B., as Master of Ceremonies.

After the Gospel, the Rev. J. S. Hespeler addressed the congregation in German in a most able and talented manner. He was listened to with the greatest attention, even by those who did not understand the language. His delivery and appearance were very impressive. At the conclusion of the High Mass, the Very Rev. Superior addressed the congregation in English, in a very appropriate manner. He dwelt at some length on the nature of the Sacrifice of the Mass; he showed from the Old and New Testament that the faithful of all times offered sacrifices to Almighty God either for favors received or obtained, etc.

The afternoon service commenced at four o'clock. The Rev. Bernard O'Reilly, Pastor of St. Patrick's, officiated in cope, assisted by Rev. Father Tachenhaus and Rev. Father Beranek. After the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, the Rev. Father O'Reilly addressed the people in English in a short but very impressive manner on the unity of the Catholic Church, being spread throughout all nations, embracing all tongues, and yet as one family offering the same sacrifice and worshipping at the same altar. He congratulated the congregation, and paid them the highest tribute of respect and esteem for their great zeal in erecting a temple of such magnificence and style, which is not only a credit to the congregation but an ornament to the city.

The church was dedicated under the patronage of St. Joseph. It is a very magnificent building Corinthian style, and is 125 feet long with two side chapels of about 40 feet each. The front is of solid cut stone; the tower, which is now but a little over the roof, is to be raised to a height of 200 feet. The church when finished in the interior, will be one of the finest and best edifices in Western New York.

This day a solemn Requiem Mass was performed in it for the repose of the soul of the late Holy Father, Pope Gregory XVI. The Rev. George Beranek was celebrant, assisted by Rev. Father Hespeler and Rev. Father O'Reilly as Deacon, and Sub-deacon. The Sisters of Charity and the orphans under their care, belonging to St. Patrick's church were present.

I should have said the new church is the work of the priests of the Order of the Redemptorists. It is owing to their great zeal and interest for religion, that such an undertaking was commenced and prosecuted.

### Catholic Racial Viewpoint Cited

New York — (NC) — When considering "what we as Christians should do in efforts to solve the interracial problem let us never forget that we shall not be judged by the prudence we display nor by the skill with which we compromise, but by that part of our convictions which we translate into action and words," G. Howard Shaw, former Assistant Secretary of State, asserted Sunday in a radio address on the Catholic Hour program.

He recalled that in his first Encyclical, His Holiness Pope Pius XII declared: "Those who enter the Church, whatever be their origin or their speech, must know we have equal rights in the House of Christ and the peace of Christ prevail."

There are three important things Christians as individuals must do in this field, Mr. Shaw asserted. He said: "Let us at least know just what Christianity teaches with respect to race relations. That is basic." Then, he said, "let us get some clear picture of what the interracial problem is in this country at the present time."

### YOUTH FIGHTS FAMINE

Delegates from 17 youth organizations, representing 12,000,000 youth of the country met with President Truman at the White House to discuss plans to cooperate in ending the world food famine. Joseph Florio (left), of St. John's Academy, Washington and Joseph Florio (right), of St. Joseph's Academy, Brooklyn, N. Y., represented the Youth Department of the National Catholic Welfare Conference at the meeting. They were accompanied by Dennis A. Fitzgerald, Secretary-General of the International Emergency Food Council, who accompanied former President Hoover on his recent trip to devastated countries, and Rev. Charles E. Bernheim, Director, Youth Department—N.C.W.C. (NC Photo)

### 'Take My Life for Souls'

### Dying Chaplain Writes To Sister in Germany

(A German Chaplain who fell in France penned this touching message to his only sister as his death neared. He dictated it to his Sergeant. A Holy Cross Father at Notre-Dame University who received the letter from an old friend in Germany made the translation.)  
My dear Sister:  
You must not be sad when you get this letter. You must rejoice. My good comrade is writing you this letter because I can no longer write. He will give it to you in a few days. He knows you will read these pages. I know you and I know how you will love all the letters I have been so very wounded. I am going to die. O how happy I am!

This morning I was hit while on the battlefield. I have a severe stomach wound, both of my arms are missing, and my right leg. I am suffering great pain, but I am hearing it gladly for our Lord — for my soul. My sister, I know that you want the truth, that you want to know everything I can tell you, and what I am going to do. I can tell you that I bear this quietly and happily, yes, happily. I am giving my young priority to my happy back to our Lord. I can give it back to him just as I got it from His hands two years ago. My priority is to you. Dear Sister, thank I am going back to our Lord. I am going to Him in heaven. I am going back to our Lord. My reward will be great.  
Now you will receive all news by little sister. But I am not leaving you completely alone. You will be strong as you always were. Do not cry. When you have a Mass said for me, don't have it said in black of mourning. Rejoice with me, my good sister. Your sorrow is legitimate. Our dear Savior himself also felt his sorrow. But do not be bitter in your sorrow. Only help me pray for the souls that I must leave behind. Our Savior wants to draw those souls close to His Divine Heart.

My sister, I want to tell you how I learned to love our Lord. Every day I practiced overcoming myself. I always practiced the presence of God. This made me so strong, but me so happy, in spite of suffering. Now you may also have to die. It is so beautiful for our Savior. My sister, my sister, my sister: "My Savior, give me souls." You will see how you will grow.  
For the rest, remain as you were always — simple and noble. Help wherever you can. Be a little Mother of God, and a handmaid of the Lord. God your strength in Holy Communion.  
And now in this great suffering, dear little sister, tell my friends of my end. Give them my best greetings, but they should all be happy. Now, sister, I can say any more.  
The Savior is coming today to get me. Savior take my life for immortal souls. I have great love for you, little sister. Our souls will remain united, but I cannot give you my blessing for I have no hands any more; I have no arms. But I kiss you with my pure lips for the last time. Share my joy. In love, I am yours in heaven.  
Your brother,  
Eric

### Chinese Priest Tells Of Torture by Reds

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will beat you until you promise to marry. Finally they said to the people: "There are three questions he did not answer. Put him in jail to reflect upon them. They beat me again and again and returned me to jail."

After the "day" there was a new session of the trial and I was treated in the same manner. They threatened me to order to force me to do what I would not.

After this session, they made me witness the execution of an old catechist, a man over 70 killed because he refused to deny God. I gave him absolution. I prayed to God for his soul and cherished the hope that this martyr would pray for me. They allowed me to call again and ten days later I was called to the third session.

This time I was ordered to reveal the confession of a certain Christian. I refused. They stripped off my clothes, bound my arms behind my back, forcing them up to my neck. My ears rang, my eyes became red and shut, and a cold sweat broke all over my body. I was bent on with a stick and presented with a bill of my so-called misdeeds — that I would not permit work on Sundays, that priests paid no wages to workers, that priests stole the people's millet, and that priests received money for Masses. I was ordered to pay money for past sinning and supply 12000 baskets of millet.

Threatened by Reds  
"You are a bad man and a great sinner," they said, "so how can you forgive sin?"  
"If a physician is sick," I answered, "can he not cure another sick man?" When I said this a communist spat in my face.

I was put in my cell again and late at night I was brought before the mayor. I was told if I could not accept the propositions of the assembly I must give them three guns, a revolver and 20,000 silver dollars. I said I had no guns or money. Again I was stripped and tortured and beaten. They beat me from head to toe.

The sense of my punishment increased and Christians of Mindang came to give me. They asked the Reds to see me because I had been their parish priest. They refused, but then God moved the heart of a pagan to deliver me from their hands. He had several talks with the Christians and ways to free me and secretly gained admission to my cell. "Father," he said, "I must see you quickly, they are killing you. This night I can take you to Mindang."

He came here later and secretly opened the door. There were many Red soldiers at the window. When they saw me they were given the sign to go. We slipped out the door and ran to the mountains. I hid in a cave for several days and then went to the mountains. I hid in a cave for several days and then went to the mountains.

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### 5 Million Building Program Set by Mobile

Birmingham, Ala. — (NC) — Plans for the new John Carroll High School, to serve as a central Catholic high school in this city, have been completed, according to Magr. Leo M. Byrnes, superintendent of schools for the Diocese of Mobile.

The \$750,000 structure will be part of a major diocesan expansion program in which an estimated five million dollars will be invested in various new construction and improvement projects.

The school will be named for a prominent Catholic layman of this section who died in 1943 and in 1942 served as chairman of the drive to raise funds for its construction.

### Priceless Treasures Stolen from Rheims

Paris — (GRNS) — Copies of crowns worn by Napoleon and Charles X have been reported stolen from the treasure room of Rheims Cathedral. Also removed by thieves, who entered the cathedral by a scaffold used for repair work, were the robes of gold and silver cloth used in the coronation of Charles X and Louis XVI.

The missing objects were among treasures removed for safekeeping during the war and only recently returned to the cathedral. The theft was discovered by a sacristan who found priceless tapestries ripped from the walls, while gold and silver altar vessels were left untouched.

Pittsburgh Bishop's Jubilee Pittsburgh — (NC) — In deference to the wishes of Bishop Hugh C. Boyle of Pittsburgh, celebrations here noting the 25th anniversary of his consecration as Bishop were limited to a solemn Pontifical Mass in St. Paul's Cathedral and a dinner sponsored by the priests of the diocese.

### Protestant Talks On S. A. Missions

Silver Bay — "It is too late to argue about racial segregation," Dr. Charles T. Leber of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. declared here in a keynote address opening the 36th annual Silver Bay conference on the Christian Mission to the Postwar World.

"The urgency of the moment is upon us," Dr. Leber told the delegates. "It is easier to smash an atom than to break a prejudice." He declared the greatest obstacle to the worldwide spread of Christian missions is "the Jim Crowism of the Church in the United States."

Recalling recent public controversies between Protestants and Catholics, the mission executive asserted that Protestantism has "gone all too far in stressing its divisiveness with the Roman Catholic Church."

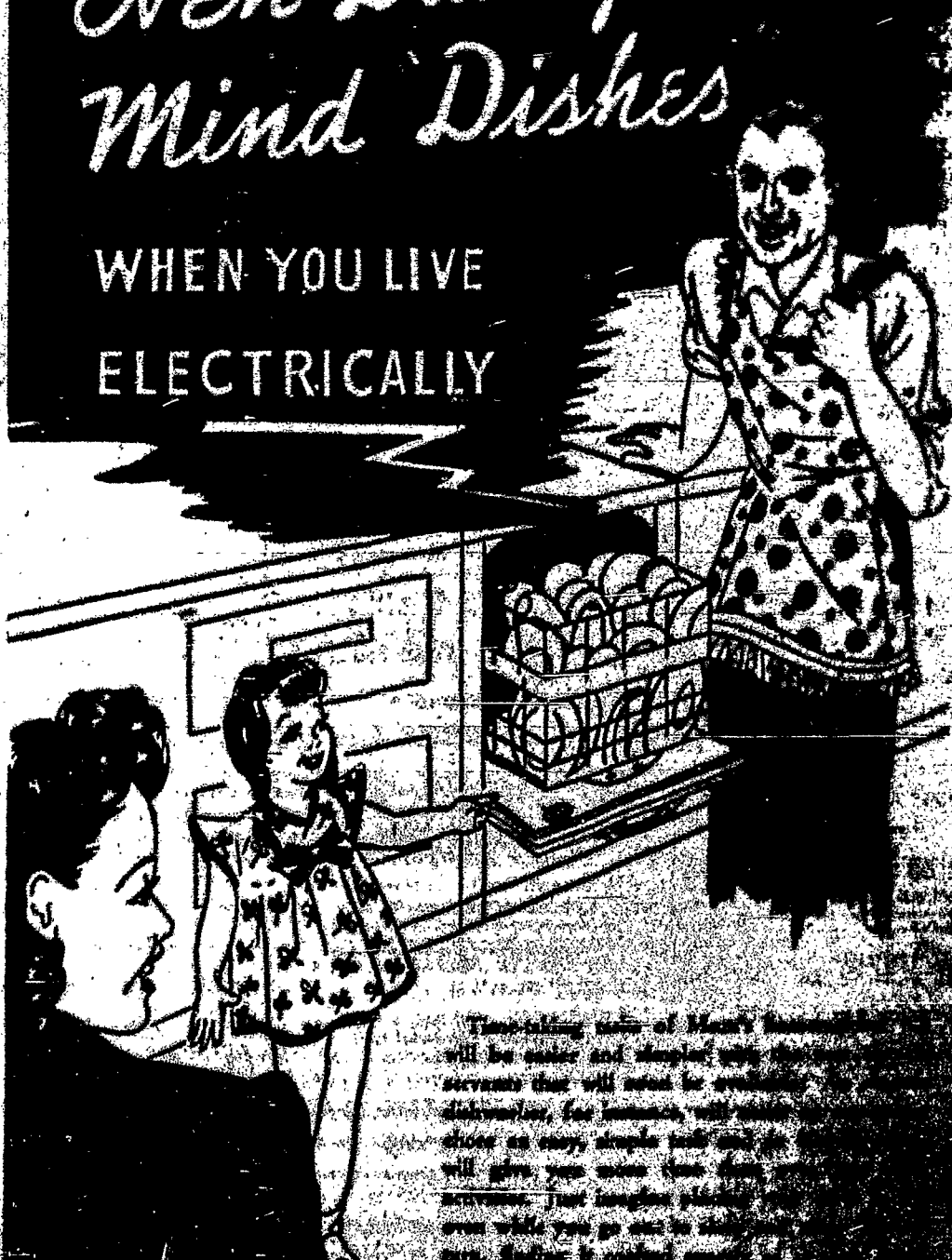
Instead of condemning Catholicism in South America, he urged the Protestant Church to devote its energies toward strengthening its evangelistic techniques on that continent.

"We have just heard of the appointment of a Presbyterian minister (Dr. J. Leighton Stuart) as Ambassador to China — what would have happened if a Catholic priest had been nominated to the post?" asked Dr. Leber.

Philippines NOWO ASL Landed St. Columban, Wash., (NC) — The work of War Relief Services-National Catholic Welfare Conference on behalf of Filipino war-sufferers is characterized as "Catholic Action where it does the most good," by the Rev. John H. Cratton, Columban missionary stationed at Mindanao, in a letter received at headquarters of the St. Columban's Foreign Mission Society here.

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