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'Living Rosary' Set For Holy Name Rally

A colorful and impressive tableau in the form of a Living Rosary is to be presented in connection with public recitation of the Rosary at the Holy Name Rally, Sunday afternoon, October 6, in the Red Wing Stadium, according to John A. Mattle, General Chairman of the Committee arranging the event.

More than five hundred girls from Our Lady of Mercy High School will be arranged on the field to represent the Cross, medal and beads of the Rosary, laid out in the form of a huge heart. A girl wearing a flowing mantle of red, white, and blue, closely surrounded by a group of girls also costumed in these same colors, will represent each bead.

As the Rosary is recited by the entire assemblage, the girls representing each succeeding bead will spread out, opening the folds of this brightly colored mantle, like the opening petals of a flower. When the recitation of the Rosary has been completed, the Living Rosary will have come fully to life, presenting a spectacle of surpassing beauty.

In capes of blue and gold, Nazareth Academy's Peroslin Choir, under the direction of Rev. Benedict Ehmann, will furnish the musical setting, and will sing Ave Marias by well-known composers, between the various decades of the Rosary.

Tribute on Feast Day

This elaborate devotional pageant is being presented as a public tribute to the Blessed Virgin Mary, under her title of Queen of the Rosary, which feast falls on this date.

Members of the Executive Committee of the Diocesan Holy Name Union, sponsoring the rally, have been formed into Committees under General Chairman Mattle, who is also President of the Union.

Publicity: James V. Taylor, Chairman, B. Edward Shlesinger, Thomas H. O'Connor, William A. Lang; Program: Frank E. Wolfe, Chairman. Ceremonies: Rev. F. William Stauder, Honorary Chairman; Rev. Patrick J. Flynn, Spiritual Director; Chairman; Rev. Arthur F. Flock, Co-Chairman, James F. Osterman. Arrangements: Edward M. Lorschelder, Chairman. Finance: William Donadoni, Chairman. Attendance: Frank R. Davis, Chairman, Reception: Gerald R. Barrett, Chairman, Broadcast: Lewis Schur, Chairman.

Women are welcome to attend the rally, and special seating arrangements will be provided.

His Excellency, Bishop Kearney, will address the rally and introduce Rev. Ignatius Smith, O.P., nationally prominent in Holy Name activities, who will deliver an address of vital importance to all Catholic laymen. Dean of the School of Philosophy of the Catholic University of America, Father Smith is a well known author and radio speaker.

Fourth degree, Knights of Columbus, Knights of St. John, Police Holy Name Society, Firemen's Holy Name Society, and other lay organizations will form the escort for His Excellency, the Bishop, Monsignori, and priests of the Diocese.

Bp. Kearney Cites Nursing Ideals for 12 Hornell Grads

Hornell — Nursing as a vocation inspired by God must, to be worthy of its name, embody the spiritual as well as the academic, the Most Rev. James E. Kearney, Bishop of Rochester, told 12 graduates of St. James Mercy Hospital, Thursday afternoon, Sept. 12, at exercises held in St. Ann's Church.

Too often, His Excellency continued, the nurse today places emphasis on the purely educational aspect. The truly worthwhile nurse goes beyond the realm of learning and gives to her vocation the qualities associated with ideals of motherhood — gentleness, self-sacrifice and utter unselfishness.

It is fitting, Bishop Kearney declared, that graduates in a vocation so closely concerned with the spiritual and so dependent for its success upon the Grace of God, receive their diplomas in a Church. A silent prayer is of far greater value, he concluded than a round of applause.

Graduates Listed

Graduates were the Misses Lena Castellino, Colleen Dayon, Jean Elder, Ethel Hilsdorf, Edna Kilbury, Alice Mark, Lois Meyer, Jeanette Osmin, Glenora Pike, Dolores Rouscher, Jean Spalding and Elizabeth Witherow.

The Rev. Andrew T. Dissett congratulated the graduates and presented them to Bishop Kearney. Services were closed with Solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

In the Sanctuary were the Rev. Dr. John E. Maney, the Rev. Walter A. Fischer, and the Rev. Joseph Donovan of Rochester, the Rev. William Cannan of Elmira Heights, the Rev. Andrew T. Dissett, the Rev. Ignatius X. Cameron, the Rev. Paul Gibbons, the Rev. John Healy, the Rev. Paul Murley of Hornell and the Rev. John P. O'Malley, recently returned army chaplain.

Principals at Lawyers' Church Rite

Second annual Lawyers' Red Mass which His Excellency, Bishop Kearney (second from left) celebrated in St. Joseph's Church, Rochester, Sept. 18, brought together (from left) His Honor, Mayor Samuel B. Dicker, the Rev. Fidelis O'Rourke, O.F.M. of St. Bonaventure College, and Supreme Court Justice William F. Love, chairman.

Red Mass Speaker Warns Of Legal 'Saboteurs'

"A dangerous company of saboteurs clothed in the cap and gown of an academic Fifth Column, voices in the highest professional places of our land, are schooling the legal mind of the future in intellectual treason," the Rev. Fidelis O'Rourke, O.F.M., former New York City attorney, declared yesterday at the Lawyers' Red Mass in St. Joseph's Church.

In an age when some of the foremost legal minds in the country deny God and God's law, the very foundations of our civilization are in deadly peril, Father Fidelis warned the large congregation of Rochester attorneys attending the Mass.

His Excellency, Bishop Kearney offered the Mass of the Holy Ghost with solemn and impressive rites asking Divine Guidance on the Courts of Justice as the fall term opens.

A member of the faculty of St. Bonaventure College, the speaker, Father Fidelis, drew attention to the inroads which pragmatism, a doctrine which credits nothing beyond the pale of physical phenomena, has made upon law "the guardian of our own democracy and of the peace of the world."

Wrong Sort of Schools

"During the four centuries which has elapsed since the society of the West rejected the complete doctrine of the Divine Legislator," the Franciscan averred, "it's tutors have gone to the wrong sort of schools and become smart, snobbish, and sophisticated. They have lost the manners learned at the knee of their Mother, the Church. They have made all sorts of easy compromises with flesh and with falsity."

Basis of this compromising weakness of society is the denial of a divinity beyond humanity and of any law beyond human law, the outgrowth of pragmatism, he explained.

Referring to the country's jurists who accept the pragmatic doctrine which denies Duties and Rights, the former lawyer queried: "Are they unmindful that the structure of government must collapse with the removal of its foundation?"

Emphasizing the imminent dangers of pragmatism, he continued: "This terrible doctrine is poisoning the wells of jurisprudence. It is psychological warfare on the side of anarchy.

"For if I say that I have a right to do what I wish without considering the rights of others, including those of God, then I should admit that I am no longer speaking of right and that I have begun to speak of might."

Condemning the use of war as an instrument of human justice, Father Fidelis declared: "Throughout human history fleets and armies have been the last resort of nations in determining their rights. The private bully, the national pressure group and the international diplomatic and war machines have been the deciding judges in the arbitrament of brain and blood.

Diocesan Officers Attend

Assisting Bishop Kearney at the Mass were the Very Rev. Charles Gutsenberger, C.SS.R., and the Rev. Dr. John E. Maney. The Rt. Rev. Msgr. J. F. Goggin, Official of the Diocesan Court, was in the sanctuary.

The Bishop was escorted by a company of distinguished local jurists and attorneys. Hon. William F. Love, Supreme Court Justice, Appellate Division, was chairman of the committee in charge. Associated with him were Hon. Joseph M. Feely, Hon. James P. B. Duffy, Eugene R. Cuaker, and George J. Skivington.

In a brief address following the Mass, Bishop Kearney stated the purpose of the ceremony of the Lawyers' Red Mass, which is to beg for the virtues necessary in administering justice at the opening of the courts. "The integrity, fearlessness, and independence of our courts is fundamental to the preservation of democratic society," he pointed out. The men who assume the responsibility of administering justice, the Bishop explained, can do nothing better than ask God's assistance.

Fire Department Chaplain

San Francisco — (NC) — With the approval of Archbishop John J. Mitty and the San Francisco Board of Fire Commissioners, the Rev. Leo Powleson, pastor of St. Patrick's Church, here, has been designated officially by Fire Chief Aloysius Sullivan as the Catholic chaplain of the San Francisco Fire Department.

FR. O'MALLEY SAYS OVERSEAS MORALE GOOD

Hornell — "Mothers of American soldiers stationed with the U. S. Army of Occupation in Germany need not worry," the Rev. John P. O'Malley, recently returned Army chaplain said in discussing the character and behaviour of the men in his spiritual charge. "The morale of the boys is excellent," he continued.

Father O'Malley, who returned to this country last week after three years' service in the U. S. Army chaplain corps, is now the guest of the Rev. Andrew T. Dissett. He will spend some time here renewing acquaintances and will receive his appointment from the Most Rev. James E. Kearney, Bishop of Rochester, at the conclusion of his terminal leave September 30.

For the past several months, Father O'Malley with the rank of captain, was stationed at the English enclave at Bremerhaven. While there he was in charge of three battalions, including as many as 2,000 men. Aside from directing the spiritual needs of the large groups, he supervised the training of resident chaplains, advised commanding officers on matters of religion and was general liaison officer between the community and social agencies, such as the Red Cross.

Active at Front

During the war, Father O'Malley was with the Second Convalescent hospital unit of the Seventh Army, which was established behind the front lines. He participated, by voluntary service in the famed Dunkirk Bridge crossing.

Chosen as a representative chaplain from the American Zone he attended the Consistory at Rome.

While on the continent he had two audiences with Pope Pius XII. He was also a special guest of Cardinal Mooney, and while in Rome met the Rev. Lawrence B. Casey, an old friend from the Rochester Diocese who flew there to witness the elevation of the cardinals.

Before coming home Father O'Malley was able to visit the Grotto at Lourdes, and also to meet Teresa Neumann.

Father O'Malley enlisted in the Army three years ago. He trained at Camp McCain in Mississippi and Camp McClellan, Alabama, following his graduation from Chaplains Training School in Cambridge. He spent about two years in the European Theater.

He was assistant pastor of St. Ann's Church for seven years.

Altar Group to Begin Meetings on Oct. 8

At a recent meeting of the officers of the Altar and Rosary Society, Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Elmira, final plans were approved for a program to include activities that will be held during the remainder of the year.

The first meeting of the Fall season will be held Tuesday, Oct. 8, in the church hall. A picnic supper will be followed by recitation of the Rosary and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. The regular business meeting has been arranged for and the evenings activities will conclude with a social hour and games.

Msgr. Sheen Cites Three Ways To Avert Threatening Peril

Auburn—"The Signs of the Times" point to the approaching danger of war or catastrophe, according to Monsignor Fulton J. Sheen, who addressed a capacity crowd here of 1,700 in the Emerson Auditorium of East High School, one Sunday evening.

Making his fifth annual appearance here under the auspices of the Lyceum Players of St. Mary's Church, the noted Catholic orator stated that in the present situation "there are three ways out for us. Revolution, Revelation and Repentance."

Mr. Paul Meyers, local civic leader, introduced Monsignor Sheen, and the Rev. E. Lee McMahon, chairman of the lecture committee, expressed appreciation to those who assisted in the arrangements for Monsignor Sheen's appearance.

Interpreting the "Signs of the Times," as he entitled his address, Monsignor Sheen began by stating, "This will be a most emotionless discussion. I have chosen this particular title because of the words which Our Blessed Lord used in answering the Pharisees and Sadducees when they asked Him to give them a sign. He answered them by saying, 'You are able to read the signs of the weather but you are not able to read the signs of the times!'

"Do you realize that we have rushed into a [illegible] war, that something not too good is in the future? There are signs of the times. In the international order, our peace has been founded on power. Justice, morality and that not mentioned in the United Nations' Charter. There is no settled concept of justice. Thus nations have the right to vote even ethical considerations. In the social order we know that in major cities of the United States there is one divorce for every two marriages. One half of the marriages end in divorce. This is disintegration. [illegible] national life. We [illegible] government, because we are [illegible] democracy. The [illegible] strength. This [illegible] coming from what [illegible] when [illegible] and each [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] to social [illegible] to evil. There [illegible] crisis. All [illegible] past. What [illegible] [illegible] power and [illegible] [illegible] of the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

"The ancient [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]