

## DCCW Sets Family Theme for Speakers

"Family and Family Life" will be the theme of the year's activities for the Speakers Bureau of the Rochester Diocesan Council of Catholic Women.

### De Sales Year Book Awarded National Honors

Geneva. Highest honors for the fourth year have been awarded "The Salesian," an annual Year Book of De Sales High School, according to an announcement made today. The award is made by the Catholic School Press Association in a nationwide survey of all year books submitted.

Noted particularly in the award was the photography and art features groups copy and theme.

Write-ups express results of the education at De Sales. Pictures in general are well posed and grouped. The general layout of the book is most attractive. The commendation states:

Miss Constance Ryan was editor of The Salesian this year. Miss Sur Bolton and Miss Ann Klosser were assistant editors.

William Maher, Louis LaRue, and Coleman Connel were business managers. Typists included Miss Lois Murphy, Miss Mary Frances Collo, Miss Joanna Marie Canull, Miss Mary Rose Bonventre, and Miss Joanna Ruth Cannell.

Cartoonists were Miss Joan McCafferty and Miss Joan Cummings.

The new program was announced at a meeting at the home of Mrs. Arthur Farren, Bureau president, Electric Avenue. Attending were the Rev. Albert J. Shannon, Diocesan Moderator of the N.C.C.W., and Rev. John T. Callahan, Deanery Moderator.

Plans for the year included talks on the Mass, accompanied by slides, the shrines and the N.C.C.W. Those affiliated with the Speakers Bureau are: Mrs. Arthur Farren, president; Miss Marjorie Howland, secretary; the Misses Peggy Kall, Lucy Sheehan, Jeanette Anable, Virginia Croston, Mary Rose Maley, Irene Schudel and Mesdames Frank T. Curtis, Harry Perrier, Richard Kall, Charles DuRocher, Harriet Schuyler and Lawrence Wells.

Two speaking engagements for the Fall season have been arranged. Miss Jeanette Anable will address the Good Shepherd Guild Monday, Sept. 29 at Hotel Seneca and the Misses Marjorie Howland, Mary Rose Maley and Mrs. Arthur Farren and Mrs. Frank Curtis will speak at St. Mary's Church, Canandaigua, Oct. 14.

Arrangements for a speaker may be made by contacting Mrs. Farren.

The Speakers Bureau will meet for nine weeks beginning Friday evening Oct. 17 at St. Mary's Commercial School at 8:15 p.m. Explanation of the Mass with accompanying slides will be given by Father Shannon and Father Callahan. At each meeting Miss Marion Schant will instruct the Bureau on the technique of public speaking.

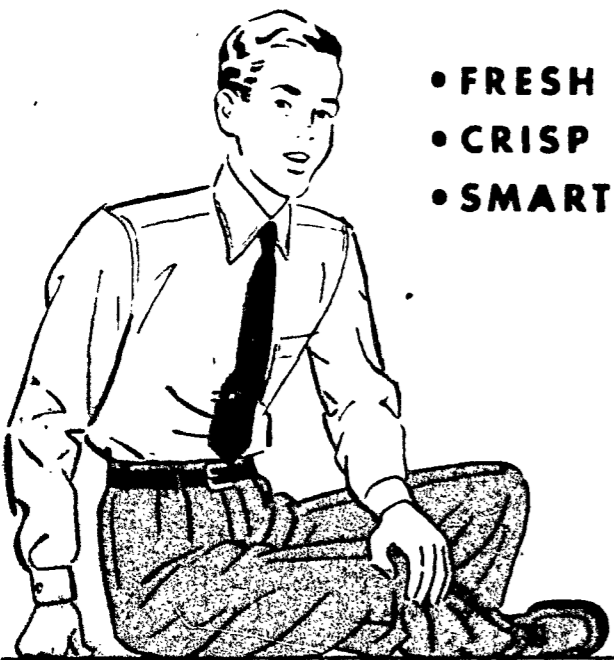
### Immaculate Parish Has 40 Retreatants

Ithaca. Immaculate Conception parish will be represented by 40 men at the Ithaca Laymen's Retreat at Geneva on next week end, Sept. 26-28. The first time that the Immaculate Conception men went to Our Lady of the Lake Retreat house there were only 4 in the party. Last year and this year the group has more than doubled in size. Arrangements for the retreat are in the hands of W. Arthur Sprague and Mark LaFrance.

#### Will Study in U. S.

Agana, Guam. (NC) Seven Guamanian students, winners of competitive scholarships offered through the Bishop of Guam and the Guam Department of Education, have sailed from here for San Francisco. Two will go to Aquinas College, Grand Rapids, Mich.; two others to Manhattan College and the seventh, a girl, will go to Rosemont College, Pa.

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## Kindergarten Pupils Study on Shift Trick



Kindergarten pupils of St. Peter and Paul's School, Elmira, pose for Courier-Journal cameraman. Started a year ago with sixteen pupils, the new kindergarten's registration increased this year to 41 pupils. To accommodate the large enrollment it was necessary to divide the group into morning and afternoon classes.

## St. Peter and Paul School Gets Kindergarten Gain

Elmira. Highest increase in enrollment of any Elmira school is recorded at St. Peter and Paul's Parochial School which opened its doors to 41 pupils this Fall.

A 40 percent increase in the kindergarten registration alone accounted for nearly half of the rise over last year's figure of 157.

The kindergarten, which was opened in September, 1946 with 16 pupils increased its number to 41 this year, making it necessary to hold classes in the morning and afternoon to accommodate the enlarged enrollment. Sister Frances Martina of the Sisters of St. Joseph is the kindergarten teacher.

St. Peter and Paul's School has been completely renovated and equipped with all modern conveniences.

### Scout Rally Draws Three Ithaca Troops

Ithaca. Three Boy Scout organizations from Immaculate Conception parish will have a complete roll call at the Diocesan Scout Rally to be held in Edgerton Park, Rochester on Sunday afternoon, Sept. 21.

The buses have been chartered to transport Cub Pack 12, Troop 12 and Ship 12 with their leaders and committee men to the Rochester assembly. The Scouts will leave the parish school at 10 a.m. Sunday and will cook their dinner in Seneca Park, Rochester, before proceeding to the Rally at 2:30.

Dale Freeman of Newfield who represented Scouts of the Ithaca area at the World Jamboree in Paris last month will accompany the Ithaca Catholic Scouts as a guest of the Ithaca Council, Knights of Columbus.



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## Sister Gerard Rites Held At St. Mary's

Corning. Solemn funeral Mass for Sister Mary Gerard, R.S.M., beloved figure of St. Mary's School staff for almost fifty years, was celebrated Thursday morning (Sept. 11) at St. Mary's Church.

Sister Gerard died Tuesday, Sept. 9, in Corning Hospital after a long illness.

Born in Waverly, Sister Mary Gerard was a member of the teaching profession when she entered the Sisters of Mercy in Rochester. For nearly fifty years she served in St. Mary's Parish where she won the respect and love of three generations of pupils. The first Communion classes of which she was in charge for a number of years were an inspiration to the entire community.

Sister Mary Gerard is survived by two nieces, Mrs. Harold Hoes of Binghamton and Mrs. Raymond Stough of Middletown.

Her body reposed in the Sisters' Chapel of the Convent where hundreds came to pay their final respects and offer a prayer.

**FUNERAL SERVICES** were held Thursday morning at 10 o'clock in St. Mary's Church. The Rev. John A. Smith, pastor, was celebrant of the Solemn Requiem High Mass. Others taking part in the service were: the Rev. Robert McNamara of the faculty of St. Bernard's Seminary, dean; the Rev. J. Edward McKay, assistant pastor of St. Vincent de Paul's Church, Suburban; the Rev. Earl M. Tobin, assistant pastor of St. Mary's, master of ceremonies. Present in the sanctuary were the Rev. John Duffy and Rev. Robert J. A. Fox of Waverly; the Rev. William Reed, assistant pastor of St. Vincent de Paul's; the Rev. Peter Jankowski to Addisonville; the Rev. Thomas K. Cleary, assistant pastor of St. Patrick's; and the Rev. Lawrence Cannon of Mt. Morris and the Rev. John Woloch of Livonia.

The Rev. Mother Magdalene, Mother Superior of Rochester was present as well as Sisters of Mercy from Hornell, Elmira and Auburn.

### St. Ignatius Group Elects New Officers

Hornell. Election of officers of the Sodality of St. Ignatius Loyola Parish has resulted in the selection of John Price as prefect. Others elected are: Mary McKivitt, vice prefect; Carolyn Polinger, recording secretary; Theresa Cullen, corresponding secretary; James Bazzett, treasurer; Leo Clancy, sergeant-at-arms. The Rev. William Tobin is spiritual director.

Retiring officers are: Jeanne Matthews, prefect; John Price, vice prefect; Joanne Maher, secretary; Robert Kohnke, treasurer and Robert Binney, sergeant-at-arms.

**Priest Marks 90th**  
Steubenville. (NC) — Msgr. James H. Cotter, pastor of St. Lawrence O'Toole's Church in Ironton, today observed his 90th birthday. Monsignor Cotter is the dean of priests in the Steubenville diocese and is completing his 60th year in the priesthood. The Monsignor continues active and in addition to his pastoral duties, he contributes to The Steubenville Register and The Irish World.

## Ithaca Students Start Retreat Sunday Evening

Ithaca. The Rev. Frederick N. Daly, S.J., of St. Louis, Mo., a graduate student at Cornell University will conduct the fourth annual 3-day retreat for the Catholic high school students of Ithaca at Immaculate Conception Church opening in the Church Sunday, Sept. 21, at 7:45 p.m.

The order of exercises for the retreat consists of Mass and Holy Communion and short instruction in the morning before school, and Rosary, sermon and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament in the evening. A Communion breakfast in the school hall will be served for the retreatants on Wednesday morning by the Rev. A. A. and the C. D. A.

Previous retreat masters have been the Rev. Joseph M. McNamara, Rev. Eldred Smith, C. P. and the Rev. Paul J. Cuddy of Sampson College. More than 200 high schoolers are expected to make this year's retreat.

**New School Dedicated**  
Lake Providence, La. (NC) — Former Senator Joseph E. Ransdell gave \$50,000 and W. D. Brown, Sr., gave \$10,000 toward the \$40,000 fund for erection of St. Patrick's School which has been dedicated by Bishop Charles P. Greco of Alexandria.

## Scipio Church Marks Diamond Jubilee

Scipio. St. Bernard's Church in Scipio Center will celebrate its diamond jubilee on Sunday, Sept. 21, when the Rev. clemency Bishop James K. Kearney, will sing a solemn Jubilee Mass and preside at 10:30 a.m.

The Rev. Francis H. Corbin, pastor of St. Bernard's, has collected all present and former parishioners and friends of the church to attend the historic anniversary ceremonies. To commemorate the 75 years of Catholic parochial life Father Turner has published an attractive booklet containing historical data and pictures of the former pastors of the parish.

**THE FIRST MASS** said in the Scipio area was celebrated in 1872 in the home of a Mr. Flynn. This house is still standing in the community and has recently been remodeled. Parish traditions record that before the first church was built the Catholics of the area were cared for by Fathers, Tashy, McCall, Schmitt and Paganini. The first recorded Catholic baptism in Scipio Center was of William Murphy in 1881 and the first couple to be married there was Daniel and Anna Sullivan in May of 1884.

Bishop Bernard J. McQuaid appointed the Rev. Archangelo Paganini in June, 1872 as the first pastor of the church.

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Dubois. (NC) — Starting with a solemn Mass in St. Francis Xavier Church at Dubois, more than 100 members of the Jacob Brethren Society held their 18th annual family reunion.

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