

Guard Child By Own Life, Mothers Told

Catholic women can protect the character of their daughters from the decay of the world's philosophy of pleasure only by the irrefutable argument of their own Catholic lives, declared the Rev. Richard T. Torney, associate editor of the Courier-Journal, at the annual Communion Breakfast of the Altar and Rosary Society of St. Mary's Church held in the Mark Twain Hotel last Sunday morning.

"The ideals of materialism, selfish pleasure, and the frantic search for happiness in a career are destroying the God-given dignity and sanctity of American women," Father Torney said. "Your Catholic example in more than your Catholic words and pious arguments will help to salvage the declining moral standards of our day."

OVER 200 MEMBERS of the Society attended the breakfast following the 7:30 Mass celebrated by Father Torney at which the entire group received Holy Communion. Mrs. James Mallon, president of the Society, presided and introduced the speakers, including the Rev. Thomas J. Toole, pastor of St. Mary's and the Rev. Leo E. Lynch, assistant pastor and moderator of the Society. Mrs. James House and Mrs. Royall Smith were co-chairmen of the breakfast arrangements.

Claiming that many young women have no appreciation of the sacredness of their place in God's plans for society, Father Torney stated: "The emancipated American woman has let herself be emancipated from motherhood and wifehood, and in seeking equality with men she has cheapened herself in the eyes of decent society."

Timid Inquiry of Negro Boy Leads To Family's Conversion in 5 Months



Principals in the family conversion are (rear row, from left), Rev. Leo E. Lynch, Mrs. Lynch, 14; Jesse Moore, 13; Mrs. Charles Williams, Mrs. Williams, sponsors; Edward Moore, father of the family. (front row, from left) Edward Moore, 8; Mary Ellen Moore, 6; Carol Williams, 5, playmate of children and daughter of sponsors.

Victory March in Albion Notre Dame, Ind. The "Notre Dame Victory March" famed song of the University of Notre Dame, is included in a new album, "College Favorites by Johnny Long," recorded by Johnny Long and his orchestra. The album was recorded by the Long orchestra for the Signature Recording Corporation of New York City.

The touching story of a family-conversion that began 5 months ago with the timid inquiry of a 13 year old boy was revealed Sunday afternoon, Oct. 5, when Edward J. Moore

and his four children were baptized by the Rev. Leo E. Lynch at St. Mary's Church, Elmira. On Monday morning the whole family knelt at the altar rail to receive their first Holy Communion together. Mr. Moore had perfect reason to be proud of his young Catholic family: Rita, 15, is a sophomore and Jesse, 14, is a freshman at Elmira's South Side High School; Edward John, 8, and little Mary Ellen, 6, are pupils in St. Mary's School.

MR. MOORE, a Negro, is the janitor of St. Mary's Church. When his wife died in 1941 and he was left with the care of four youngsters, one a tiny baby and the oldest only 9 years old, the prospect of being the father and breadwinner as well as the mother and guide of these children was almost staggering. This week's conversion proves that the Hand of Almighty God was working with him.

About a year ago, Jesse came to Father Lynch to ask "How can I become a Catholic?" He presented a letter of permission from his father and indicated that others in the family were interested in joining the Church. The instructions were deferred from time to time with the hope that Jesse might have company in taking the convert lessons. Finally this May he brought his father and the other 3 children to begin the lessons with him. Throughout the summer the family group came faithfully for instructions twice a week.

Mr. Moore, Jesse and Rita were instructed at St. Mary's rectory by Father Lynch while the younger children, Edward and Mary Ellen, received their lessons from Sister Mary Alice at the parish convent.

Fourth Degree Class to Honor Father Brien

Named "The Very Rev. William J. Brien, V. F. Class," in honor of Father Brien, dean of Elmira Deanery and pastor of St. Patrick's Church, the Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus will be exemplified on this class on Sunday, Oct. 10, at Dunn Memorial Auditorium, Elmira.

To be exemplified by the Fifth New York District degree staff, the ceremonies will bring together 150 candidates from Rochester, Hornell, Canandaigua, Watertown, Ithaca, Waverly, Auburn, Geneva, Seneca Falls and Elmira Master Basil J. Vailan-court of Elmira is in charge.

A banquet at which His Excellency, Bishop Kearney of Rochester will be speaker will follow the degree work. The banquet will be held at 7 p. m. in the Mark Twain Hotel. Past Master Cyril J. Stett of Rochester will be a guest at the banquet.

On the speaking program also will be Charles J. Cona-dine, Vice Supreme Master, Calver, Province of Washington, D. C. A native of Washington, Cona-dine has been Vice Supreme Master for two terms. He has served as State Deputy of the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and Panama; District Deputy Chairman of the District of Columbia Chapter and is past grand knight of Potomac Council. He is Administrative Assistant, Personnel Department at the Army Medical Center and the Walter Reed General Hospital.

St. John's Altar Group Lists Cards

The Altar Society of St. John the Baptist Church, Elmira, will hold the third card party in a series of five which they are sponsoring each Wednesday in the Church hall. Euchre, Bridge and Five Hundred will be played. Prizes will be awarded for the different games and refreshments will be served by the committee. Everyone is invited. Tickets are forty cents and may be obtained in the Hall.

Catholic War Veterans to Plan County Unit Oct. 20

A county chapter of the Catholic War Veterans of America is in the making following a meeting of post representatives with Paul J. Dolan, New York State vice commander of the CWV, Friday.

The county unit would include four local posts and St. Vincent's Post in Corning. Mr. Dolan explained that the unit would coordinate efforts of existing posts and encourage the development of new chapters.

Arrangements have been made for a meeting of the commanders of the five posts and their adjutants with Mr. Dolan at Columbus Center.

The actual establishment of the county organization is expected to take place Oct. 20 at Columbus Center. Commanders of the five posts, their adjutants and delegates will meet with Mr. Dolan and other state officials at that time to receive a formal charter.

Mr. Dolan was accompanied Friday night by William J. Cummings, national representative, and Harold L. Walker of Buffalo. Attending the meeting at Columbus Center were representatives of St. Michael's, St. Casimir's, St. Anthony's Post of Elmira; St. Nicholas' Post of Elmira Heights and St. Vincent's Post of Corning.

10 Traffic Patrol Students Sworn In

The ten members of St. Patrick's School student traffic patrol were sworn in and given instructions at Elmira ceremonies Monday.

Badges, belts and cards were presented by Joseph J. Balok, representing the Junior Association of Commerce and the Chemung County Safety Council.

Alfred A. Wesoff of the American Automobile Association spoke on the AAA safety program. Lt. Thomas G. Whitford and Patrolman G. Wert Kendall of the Police Traffic Bureau outlined safe walking and bicycling practices. The Rev. William A. Gaynor presided.

Traffic patrol members are: Thomas Daly, captain; Eugene Croighton, Edward Callahan, Michael Gaffey, Philip Miles, Thomas Horigan, John Watts, Constance Florack, Jane Watts, Alice Bannan.



FATHER BRIEN

Supper Honors 40 Holy Name Men

Members of Our Lady of Lourdes Holy Name Society, Elmira, held a supper last night in the church hall in honor of the forty new members who recently became affiliated with the Society.

Following the supper a business meeting was held and plans were discussed for activities to be held during the Fall and Winter season. David Vincent Sheehan was general chairman and Daniel F. Kennedy presided at the meeting. A program of games and movies was provided.

Rummage Sale Slated

Elmira - Catholic Action League of St. Alphonsus Church will hold a rummage sale in the Water Street Hall, Friday and Saturday, Oct. 10 and 11. Mrs. Robert Crowe has been named chairman of the committee running the sale.

15 Southern Tier Holy Name Groups To Rally in Elmira

Fall Convention of the Elmira Deanery Council of Holy Name Societies next Sunday, Oct. 12, at St. Patrick's School and Church in Elmira will signal the start of an active Fall and Winter season of Holy Name activities.

This is the first time in the Southern Tier when all the parish societies have met in such a session to exchange ideas and discuss a coordinated program.

The Deanery Council officers will present suggestions for the guidance of the individual societies and will also propose definite recommendations for discussion and adoption. These recommendations will concern themselves with matters of paramount concern to Catholic laymen.

THE FIRST PHASE of the convention will be the business session in the Assembly Hall of St. Patrick's School at 3:30 Sunday afternoon. It will be followed at 4:30 by a solemn benediction of the blessed sacrament in St. Patrick's Church. The men will march in procession from the school to the church.

The Most Rev. James E. Kearney, Bishop of Rochester, will officiate at benediction and will address the Holy Name men. Bishop Kearney has been deeply interested in a strong revival of the Holy Name movement throughout the Diocese. It is expected that he will have a strong message for the men of the Elmira Deanery.

A large attendance of men from the 15 parishes in the Elmira Deanery is expected and the official delegates is expected and

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