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Four Diocesan Priests to Fly To Fatima, Scene of Apparition

Four priests of Rochester diocese will fly to Fatima, scene of the apparition of the Blessed Mother, next to Rome, in May on a pilgrimage of reparation.

The flight is announced this week by the Rev. Joseph A. Cirincione, pastor of St. Francis of Assisi Church, 77 Whitney St., Rochester, where a perpetual novena of reparation in honor of Our Lady of the Rosary of Fatima will begin Sunday, Jan. 11, at 6:30 p.m.

Going with Father Cirincione will be the Rev. Leonard A. Kelly, pastor of St. James Church, Trumansburg, and the Rev. Vincent Collins, and Rev. L. John Hedges, both assistant pastors, Immaculate Conception Church, Riga.

The three priests plan to be in Fatima about ten days to participate in the large pilgrimage expected to assemble there from all sections of the world on May 23 to mark the 50th anniversary of Our Lady's first apparition.

THEIR PLAN to fly to Rome where they will spend about nine days before flying back to New York.

"For the Conversion of Russia and World Peace," will be the intention of the perpetual novena opening on the Feast of the Holy Family in St. Francis of Assisi Church.

A beautiful shrine in Honor of Our Lady of Fatima, one of the few in this country, has been erected for the Novena. Services will consist of the Rosary, Novena Prayers, Sermon, Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament followed by enrollment in the Shrine of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel and the blessing of expectant mothers.

An invitation to shut-ins and the sick to make this Novena of Our Lady of Fatima and to share in the formation of a spiritual bouquet of good works, penances and prayers is extended by Father Cirincione. He will present this bouquet at the Shrine in Fatima, Portugal, next May.

The Novena booklet will be sent to those shut-ins who write to the Rev. Joseph A. Cirincione.



make this condition for all who desire it.

The Novena, the pastor states, will be in the nature of a preparation of prayer and penance for the four priests' pilgrimage, though the general intention will be the conversion of Russia and world peace. Individuals may have their own private intentions as well.

A possible pilgrimage for lay people similar to this one the priests will make may be announced later in the year. Anyone interested should make further inquiries of the DePree Travel Bureau.

Broadcast Set

"The Story of Fatima" is the title of a series of broadcasts to be given by the Rev. Joseph A. Cirincione, pastor of St. Francis of Assisi Church, Rochester, on Station WEAY. The series will begin Sunday, Jan. 11, and be heard from 9:15 to 9:30 p.m. Broadcasts were made possible through cooperation of Gordon Brown, WEAY station manager.

Ft. Hanna to Speak To Altar Society

Rev. Austin B. Hanna will be guest speaker at a banquet honoring retiring officers of Our Lady of Good Counsel Altar Society Wednesday evening, Jan. 14.

Past officers to be seated included: Mrs. William Howes, president; Mrs. Maurice Keenan, vice-president; Mrs. Bernard Leckington, secretary; Mrs. Alvin Halloran, treasurer.

New leaders of the group to be installed that evening are: Mrs. Maurice Keenan, president; Mrs. William O'Brien, vice-president; Mrs. Joseph Ottalagano, secretary; Mrs. William Culliton, treasurer.

Rural Life Mass Convention
Cortland, N.Y.—(INC)—The 1949 convention of the National Catholic Rural Life Conference will be held in LaCrosse, Wis., from Oct. 17 to 20.

Domestic Mass of Holy Name Among Men

A black and white photograph showing a group of men gathered around a table, possibly during a Mass or a meeting. They are dressed in clerical or formal attire.

2,000 Holy Name Men at Mass Hear Bishop's Plea to Make Christ Head of Their Homes



Third Order Adoration
Rochester, N.Y.—The opening of the Third Order of St. Francis observed Mass and vespers in the Third Order at a mass.

A capacity audience of Holy Name Society members is seen in St. Peter's Church for Holy Name Festival Mass, Rensselaer, marking the opening activity of the Rochester Diocesan Holy Name Union for 1949. His Excellency Bishop Kearney, who celebrated the Mass, is shown above with his Deacons of Honor, the Rev. Arthur P. Flavin (left) and Monsignor E. William Murphy.

(Photo by Catholic Courier staff photographer, Ray Kerner.)

Nocturnal Men Set N. Y. Trip

58 Dates in Year Kept By DCCW Speakers Bureau

First statewide gathering of Nocturnal Adoration Society men is being planned for New York City on Saturday, Jan. 31. Early estimates are that from 5,000 to 6,000 Catholic men will assemble in the metropolis for a Holy Hour and Solemn Pontifical Mass.

A delegation of Catholic men whether affiliated with the Nocturnal Adoration Society or not, is being organized to attend the New York gathering.

Planned are a Holy Hour from 11:30 to midnight at St. Patrick's Cathedral. The Holy Hour will be immediately followed by the Solemn Pontifical Mass to be celebrated by His Eminence Francis Cardinal Spellman. Speaking at the Holy Hour will be the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Fulton J. Sheen.

Sufficient men signify their intentions of going to New York for the service. A special car on the Empire State Express leaving Rochester on the New York Central at 4:15 p.m. can be arranged.

Further information may be had from Theodore J. Houk, president of Rochester Nocturnal Adoration Society, Glenwood 6710, or secretary Joseph W. Dean, Genesee 2800.

District Drill Team, States Card Party

The District Auxiliary Drill Team Knights of St. John will hold a card party at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Hall, 1009 Joseph Ave., Wednesday, Jan. 14, at 5:30 p.m.

Dolores Mattie was named general chairman assisted by Edwin Crowley, Denis McGuire, Eleanor Bishopling and Margaret Gogley.

Admission is fifty cents and the public is invited.



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