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Catholic Negro Men to Form Knights' Group

A council of the Knights of Peter Claver, a fraternal organization for Catholic Negro men, will be formed in the Diocese of Rochester on Sunday, May 23, at a Communion breakfast following 8 o'clock Mass and Holy Communion at Immaculate Conception Church. First initiation ceremonies will be conducted at 10:30 a. m. at the St. Joseph House of Hospitality, South Avenue.

Now being organized by Orlando J. Green, 190 Beck St., with the permission of His Excellency Bishop Kearney, the new group to be known as "The Bishop McQuaid Council" will be the second established in New York State. Buffalo has an active council named for Bishop John F. O'Hara.

FOUNDED IN LOUISIANA In 1909, the Knights of Peter Claver is a fraternal and interracial social order named for the Jesuit saint whose charity led him to a career of serving Negro slaves in the port of Cartagena, South America, in the 1600's. Each Council is chartered as a fraternal benefit society to promote charitable, educational and social activities for its members.

The Rev. George S. Wood of Immaculate Conception Church has been appointed chaplain of the new group to direct its religious program. Membership is open to all practical Catholics between 18 and 55. Members pay monthly dues, share in financial benefits for sickness and death and must be active in the Holy Name Society. Their principal activities are to elevate the moral and spiritual ideals of the members, promote Catholic education and assist less fortunate fellow-men.

A Ladies Auxiliary with the same aims, activities and benefits will be founded shortly by Mrs. Harriet Schuyler, 345 Clarissa St. Catholics interested in joining these organizations and in promoting their interracial work are invited to contact Mr. Orlando or Mrs. Schuyler.

In Girl Scout Investiture Rite



Investiture of 5 new members in St. Alphonse Girl Scout Troop No. 12 took place following the mother and daughter banquet in the Parish House, East Geneva St., Auburn. Taking part at left in front are: Ellen Hickey, Nancy Green and Marilyn Mosher; in rear from left: Alice Conkright, Virginia Fuller. At right, from left: Catherine Anton and Caroline Casper, scout leaders.

Recollection Day Set for Women At Geneva House

Geneva Catholic women of Geneva will have their first day of recollection at Our Lady of the Lake Retreat House on Lochland Road, May 19. It was recently announced. The day will be under the sponsorship of the National Council of Catholic Women, local chapter.

The retreat house has long offered weekend retreats for clergy and laymen, but the only day of retreat held for women has been one for nurses held some time ago.

Auburn Laymen To Make Retreat

Auburn A retreat for all Catholic men of Auburn will be held this weekend, May 14, 15 and 16, at Our Lady of the Lake Retreat House, Geneva. The retreat opens Friday evening and closes Sunday afternoon. All men desiring to take advantage of this spiritual opportunity are asked to contact Frank Lesch or their parish rectory.

Need for Foster Homes Told Auburn NCCW Groups

Auburn—Miss Catherine Wobus of the Rochester Catholic Charities and Miss Mary Doan, training supervisor for the New York State Department of Social Welfare and at present assisting in the work of the Auburn Child Welfare Department addressed the Committee on Cooperating with the Social Agencies of the Auburn Deaneary Council, National Council of Catholic Women last week in the South Street home of Auburn Court, Catholic Daughters of America.

Miss Wobus outlined the work of the Catholic Charities and told of the various phases in the social service field carried on in Auburn in cooperation with the City and County Welfare Departments. The well known Rochester social worker also had helpful suggestions as to the aid which might be given by a group of volunteer workers in Auburn.

Miss Doan enlightened the group with a clear picture of what is being accomplished in St. Stephen's Church. Reservations must be made before May 15, officials said today.

If sufficient number of retreatants wish to go by bus, one will be chartered by the NCCW chapter.

St. Patrick's Guild to Meet

Seneca Falls St. Patrick's Guild and Altar Society will hold its monthly meeting next Monday, May 18, in St. Patrick's School auditorium, Mrs. Andrew Sipos, president, will conduct the meeting.

Miss Teresa Compitello will be chairman of the entertainment program and will present a musical program.

Mrs. William Reardon is chairman of the social hour, and will be assisted by Mrs. Gregory Burns, Mrs. Timothy Holland, Mrs. Chris Laude, Mrs. Sylvester Luckern, Mrs. Gorman McMillan, Miss Elizabeth Moreland, Mrs. James Moreland, Sr. and Mrs. Edward Timmons.

Lourdes School Cornerstone Laid by Bishop

Cornerstone of the new \$300,000 Our Lady of Lourdes School, first parish school to be built in Brighton, was laid with appropriate ceremony by His Excellency, Bishop Kearney, Sunday afternoon.

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A two-story brick building, 200 x 60 feet, the new school is being constructed under the direction of the Rev. Francis W. Luddy, pastor, at Corona and Warrington Drives, adjoining the church. The building which will provide an auditorium and classrooms for eight grades and a kindergarten will be opened in September. Enrollment is expected to be of 175 to 200 pupils.

The ceremony attracted more than 200 persons. The Bishop was escorted by clergy, laymen, altar boys and choir girls.

A STATUE of St. Joseph in honor of the Sisters of St. Joseph who will teach at the school was placed in the cornerstone signifying, the Bishop said, that St. Joseph would be the school's protector. Also sealed into the copper box in the stone were the parish history, a list of donors to the school fund, copies of the current Catholic Courier-Journal and Democrat and Chronicle.

The Bishop in a brief talk at the close of the ceremony said it was appropriate that "this church which is dedicated to the Mother of God, celebrate Mother's Day by this ceremony."

In a real sense, the Bishop declared this institution "is destined to be the mother of a generation of children. During a large period of their lives, this school will represent the mother; the Christian home. They will be returned holier, nobler and purer than when they were sent to us."

Participating in the ceremony with the Bishop were: Father Luddy, the Rev. Frank W. Mason, founder of the parish; Rt. Rev. Msgr. William M. Hart, V.G.; Rt. Rev. Msgr. John B. Sullivan, Rt. Rev. Msgr. George W. Eckl, the Rev. James F. Slattery, assistant pastor; the Rev. Dr. Charles J. Mahoney, school superintendent; Rev. Francis Pagnan, Rev. John Morgan, Rev. Thomas Manley, Rev. John Leary, Rev. Walter Fleming, Rev. Walter Kohl and Rev. Dr. John E. Maney.

In the laymen's honor guard were: Otto A. Shultz, Joseph J. Paul, McGuire, Harold J. Coleman, Arthur C. Lohman, Martin T. Guillen, John Coleman, Martin Q. Moll, Anthony Klug, James Farrell, Frank Oberkoetter, Joseph Gore, Donald J. Burke, John Norton, Paul Brennan, and Aidine McGuire.

College Newman Clubs Plan Meet

Geneva Joseph Traynor was elected president of the Newman Club of the Colleges of the Seneca at a meeting held recently at the president's home.

Elected to serve with him were John Power, vicepresident; Louise Farone, secretary; and Wilbur July, treasurer.

Final big event of the season for the chapter will be the meeting of the chapters of Sampson, Hobart, William Smith and Keuka Colleges May 21, at Hobart.

First time area chapters met in this way, the event will feature a guest speaker and will be followed by a social period.

Dedications Information Center

Columbus, O.—(NCI) Bishop Michael J. Ready of Columbus has dedicated here the first Catholic book shop and Catholic information center in the Columbus diocese. It is the 17th such Catholic information center set up in the United States.

State K.C. Convention to Open With Solemn Pontifical Mass

A Third Degree, church services, business sessions; a convention ball and state dinner have been arranged for the New York State Convention, Knights of Columbus, in Rochester, May 27, 28 and 29, according to Grand Knight John J. Kinney of Rochester Council, host to the state convention for the first time since 1933.

Convention arrangements are being made by committees headed by Ralph F. Murphy, convention chairman.

Solemn Pontifical Mass in St. Joseph's Church, Franklin Street, on Friday, May 28 beginning at 9:30 a. m. will formally open the 53rd meeting of the New York State Council, K. of C. A third degree in Columbus Civic Center, a party for the visiting women at Blessed Sacrament Hall and registration at convention headquarters, Hotel Seneca will be held on Thursday, May 27, eve of the convention.

His Excellency, the Most Rev. James E. Kearney, D.D., Bishop of Rochester and former state chaplain will preside at the opening Mass with the Most Rev. John F. O'Hara, C.S.C., D.D., Bishop of Buffalo as celebrant.

PRIEST MEMBERS of the Knights of Columbus will be officers of the Mass. Assisting Bishop O'Hara will be Arch Priest, Very Rev. Gerald C. Lambert; Deacon, the Rev. Arthur E. Rattigan; Subdeacon, the Rev. Raymond G. Heisel and Master of Ceremonies to Bishop O'Hara, the Rev. Dr. John E. Maney.

Presiding at the throne, Bishop Kearney will be assisted by; Assistant Priest, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. William M. Hart, P.A., V.G.; Assistant Deacons, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Charles F. Shay, and the Rt. Rev. Msgr. F. William Stauder; Master of Ceremonies at Throne, the Rev. Paul G. Wohlrab; Subdeacon Crossbearer, the Rev. Matthew Tobin, C.S.S.R. Minor officer will be seminarians of St. Andrew's Seminary.

An augmented choir of Knights of Columbus with George Minges, director of St. Joseph's Church in charge and directed by Raymond J. Hasenauer of Aquinas Institute faculty will sing the Mass responses.

The Very Rev. Msgr. Walter F. Burke, state chaplain of the Knights of Columbus and pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Ilogansburg in the Ogdensburg diocese will preach the convention sermon.

A STREET PARADE will precede the Mass from convention headquarters in Hotel Seneca to the Church of Emmet J. O'Neill in parade marshal. Opening session and civic welcome to the visiting knights by Mayor Samuel E. Dicker will follow the church services. Convention sessions will be held in Hotel Seneca on Friday a 10:00 a. m. and Saturday morning. State Deputy William F. Burke of Utica will preside.

Special entertainment and decorations are being arranged for the Convention Ball, Friday, May 28 in Hotel Seneca and open to

Knights of Columbus and their wives. Hotel and street decorations are in charge of Leo F. Rombaut and John J. Gorman. Entertainment at the dance and dinner is in charge of Deputy Grand Knight Raymond Nary.

Plans for a brilliant state dinner, closing session of the convention in Hotel Seneca are being worked out by Chapellor Francis J. Thomas, Warden Joseph B. Rooney and R. Francis Healey.

Entertainment of visiting women is in charge of Mr. Raymond J. Nary, president, and her Ladies Auxiliary. Besides the Thursday party, there will be a buffet luncheon for the ladies on Friday, May 28 at Columbus Civic Center to be followed by cards in the afternoon with table prizes. On Saturday a tour of the city is planned.

At the convention the winners of the State scholarship examination will be announced by Chairman James P. Lanigan of Fulton. A large number of resolutions have been submitted to State Advocate John P. Mcardle of Brooklyn for consideration at the convention.

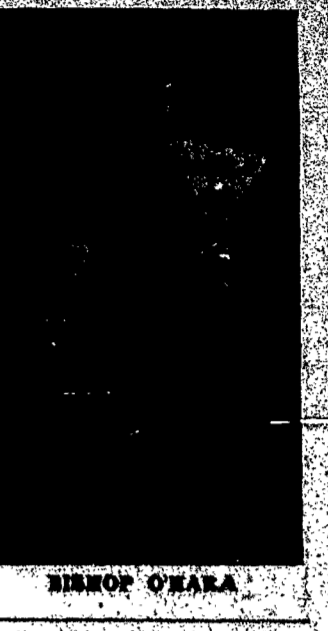
Delegates are expected from 247 councils. Reservations are coming in heavily. Chairman of Housing, District Deputy Francis T. Toomey reports.

Rosary Society Plans Card Fete

Auburn—At the May meeting of the Rosary Society of Holy Family Church, the following officers were selected: President, Mrs. C. E. Carpenter; vice-president, Mrs. George Frank; treasurer, Mrs. John McGraw; secretary, Mrs. Anne Stevens.

Plans were formulated for a parish card party to be held on Monday evening, May 24, in the Auditorium, of which Mrs. Francis Theiss is chairman with Mrs. John Brennan, president of the Holy Name Society, as co-chairman. Various card games will be played and there will be a prize for each table.

On Tuesday evening, June 8, the Rosary Society will hold its annual banquet at Springside Inn. The president, Mrs. Carpenter, is chairman in charge of arrangements to be announced later, and will be assisted by a large committee of officers and members of the Society.



Capt. Gentile Medal Asked By Auburn Vets

Auburn—The Council of Veterans Organizations unanimously passed a resolution at Thursday's meeting at the Owaya Lounge in favor of immediate action in awarding the Congressional Medal of Honor to Captain Don E. Gentile.

Copies of this resolution are to be sent to Congressman John Taber and Senators Irving M. Ives and Robert F. Wagner for their consideration and insertion in the Congressional Record.

Captain Gentile, through the efforts of Congressman Taber, came to Auburn last weekend to speak at the Communion breakfast held by the Catholic War Veterans Post 825. The greatest living ace of World War II made an excellent impression on the many people who met him, and his inspiring talk will long be remembered, the veterans state.

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