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### First Solemn Mass Scheduled For Fr. Mayer

First Solemn Mass will be sung by the Rev. John Fisher Mayer, O.F.M., formerly of Corpus Christi parish, on Sunday, June 20, at 11 a. m. in Corpus Christi Church.

The Franciscan priest was ordained at the Franciscan Monastery, Washington, D. C., by the Most Rev. Amleto Giovanni Cicognani, D.D., Apostolic Delegate to the United States.

Assisting Father Mayer will be the Rt. Rev. Magr. William M. Hart, P.A., V.G., as assistant priest; Rev. Theophane Leary, O.F.M., deacon; and Rev. Terrence Cauley, O.F.M., subdeacon. Sermon at the Mass will be preached by the Rt. Rev. Magr. Edward M. Lyons of St. Andrew's Seminary.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence V. Mayer, 89 Charlotte St., Father Mayer is a graduate of Corpus Christi School and St. Andrew's Seminary. He entered the Franciscan Novitiate in Paterson in 1941, and later studied at institutions conducted by the Franciscan Fathers at Croghan, Butler, N. J. and Washington, D. C.



FR. JOHN FISHER MAYER

### NCWC Relief Aide Cites 3 Ways To Help Europeans

A call to Catholics to re-embrace the virtues of brotherhood and charity which characterized the early Christians was sounded by Miss Eileen Egan, representative of War Relief Services, National Catholic Welfare Conference, speaking here Tuesday night.

Miss Egan, who has worked with war victims here and abroad as a member of WRS-N.C.W.C. since 1943, addressed the Rochester Deaconery Council, National Council of Catholic Women at a meeting in Columbus Civic Center.

"Catholics of America are the only Catholics in the world living normal, well-balanced, comfortable lives, with surpluses to spare for people in Europe who are dying for want of bare necessities," Miss Egan declared.

"THIS TREMENDOUS disproportion of the world's goods," she said, "puts a terrible responsibility on Catholics of this country to give up their surpluses. If we don't, we don't merit the name of Christians."

Describing the destitution of bombed out Europeans as seen on her recent tour of Europe, Miss Egan said: "A cow in this country is better housed and better fed than a child is over there."

She named these three ways in which American Catholics can help: (1) by contributing to the Bishops' War Relief Collection as

noted that contributions for European Relief, particularly clothing, soap, paper, pencils and sewing materials, may be left at the Blossom Road School currently or during the summer. Money contributions should specify whether for use of CARE packages or for postage on packages sent to the school's list of nearly 2,000 refugees.

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### Retreat Record Set by 55 Men

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Very Rev. Augustine J. Aylward, C.S.S.R., and more than that number cannot be accommodated conveniently. When a group's number exceeded 55, it has been necessary to divide the group over two weekends or between a weekend and a mid-week retreat.

This weekend, June 18 to 20, retreatants from St. Charles Borromeo parish, Rochester, from Greece, and from Hilton will occupy the Retreat House and a capacity or near-capacity crowd is expected. It is anticipated that from now through September 30 or more will be making a retreat each weekend. Anyone interested in making a retreat should contact George P. Schmidt, secretary of the Retreat League, 139 Fillmore St., Rochester 11, N. Y., or Very Rev. Augustine J. Aylward, C.S.S.R., O. L. Lake Retreat House, Box 591, Geneva, N. Y.

### Sister Gerald's Rites Conducted At Aged Home

Funeral services for Sister M. Gerald Nolan of the Sisters of Saint Joseph, who died Thursday evening, June 10, 1948 were conducted Monday morning June 14 at St. Ann's Home for the Aged. (See Editorial, Page 4).

Solemn Mass of Requiem was celebrated by the Very Rev. Magr. Gerald C. Lambert, assisted by the Rev. Victor C. Hurley, Deacon, and the Rev. James B. Keenan, Subdeacon. The Rev. Daniel Sullivan was Master of Ceremonies. His Excellency, the Most Rev. James E. Kearney, was present in the sanctuary and gave the blessing at the close of the Mass.

The following priests were also present in the sanctuary: the Rt. Rev. Magr. William M. Hart, P.A.; the Rt. Rev. Magr. George V. Burns, the Rt. Rev. Magr. Charles F. Shay, the Rt. Rev. Magr. Edward J. Byrne, the Rt. Rev. Magr. Wilfred Craugh, the Rev. Leo V. Smith, the Rev. William J. Naughton, the Rev. Francis Burns, the Rev. Robert F. McNamara, the Rev. Leo Matuzewski, the Rev. Francis J. Taylor and the Rev. William Nolan.

The last blessing at the grave was given by Monsignor Burns, assisted by Monsignor Lambert, Father Keenan, the Rev. B. L. Quirk, Father Smith, Father Hurley and Father Taylor.

At the time of her death, Sister Gerald was Superior and Administrator of St. Ann's Home for the Aged. A native Rochesterian, Sister Gerald entered the Sisters of Saint Joseph in 1906. After completing her studies, her first assignment was at the Immaculate Conception School, Rochester. She later taught at the Rochester Catholic High School and at Nazareth Academy. In 1922, Sister Gerald was assigned to St. Ann's Home where she acted in the capacity of bookkeeper and statistician. In 1942 she was appointed Administrator of the Home.

Surviving are one brother, John Nolan of Rochester; two sisters, Sister Fausta of the Sisters of Charity of Emmitsburg, Maryland, and Miss Elizabeth Nolan of Rochester; also several nephews and nieces.

### WRNY Series Lists Moll

"Today's Leaders—The Sculptors of Tomorrow" will be discussed on the "Church of the Air" program at 9:05 a. m. Sunday, June 20, by Martin Q. Moll, director of public relations for the COURIER-JOURNAL and a vice-president of the Diocesan Holy Name Union.

Third in a series of discussions on "Our Lady of Fatima" by the Rev. Edward J. Molnir, assistant pastor of Sacred Heart Pro-Cathedral, also will be presented.

Moll, who is a member of the Knights of Columbus Catholic Speakers Bureau, is a former assistant national program director for the National Catholic Community Service. He is general manager of the Christopher Press. He has addressed several organizations in the city and area on "Leadership" and "Principles of Sound Organization."

Ex-Parachutist Ordained London—(CIP)—A former officer in the Polish Parachutist Brigade in Scotland, who was ordained a priest at Upholland College near Liverpool recently and said his first Mass in London on May 23, has announced that he is planning to return to Poland in the near future. He is the Rev. Peter Szefler.

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### Niagara Alumni Honor Judge

Auburn—City Judge Joseph J. Rooney was the guest of honor at the annual dinner given Saturday evening at Springside Inn by the Auburn Club of Niagara University. The Auburn Club at its dinner a year ago honored Rev. Marshall McMahon as an outstanding Niagara University Alumnus of the Auburn area.

Judge Rooney, who is Democratic county chairman, is a graduate of Holy Family School and Auburn High School. He took a pre-law course at Niagara and received his LL.B. degree at the University of Buffalo. An active Catholic layman he has taken part in numerous activities of the Knights of Columbus Council of this city.

Officers of the Auburn Club are John Polansky, president; James Cuddy, vice president; James Hayes, secretary and Joseph O'Donoghue, treasurer. The toastmaster Saturday night was Carroll J. Caffrey.

Climbers Honor Pope London—(NC)—An Achille Ratti climbing hut, named after the late Pope Pius XI, was blessed and opened by Bishop Thomas E. Flynn of Lancaster, at the foot of Helvellyn, 3,100-foot Cumberland hill, a popular center for mountain climbers. The late Pope was an enthusiastic Alpinist in the days of his youth.

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