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Bishop Confirms 453 Auburnians

Auburn — A total of 453 persons, divided between 356 children and 67 adults, was confirmed by the Most Rev. James E. Kearney, Bishop of Rochester, officiating at such rites Sunday, Nov. 7, in four Auburn churches. He was greeted on his visit by capacity turnouts of parishioners.

10 NEW BOOKS IN LIBRARY

Auburn—Plans for the fall and winter months were mapped at the November meeting of the staff of St. Alphonsus Library held Thursday evening, Nov. 4, in the Parish House, East Genesee Street and at which Mrs. Harvey Clark, head librarian presided. During the past three months the library loaned 1390 books thus attesting to the interest centered in the newly established project. It was reported, St. Alphonsus Library is open to the public from 7 to 9 every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday evening on the fall, winter and spring schedules.

Many new books have been added to the St. Alphonsus Library, recently including the following: "Communism and the Conscience of the West," an authority discusses Communism, Doherty — "Tumbleweed," a biography of de-Hueck, Byrnes — "Speaking Frankly," a former Secretary of State tells his story, Bruni — "Where on to Stand," Catholic doctrine for the layman, Lane — "I Saw Poland Betrayed," The true picture of Poland's plight, Dornier — "Hugh Dornier's Diaries," (The personal story of a British soldier), Meany — "Babe Ruth," (The story of the famous player), Dudley — "Michael," (another Masterful M o n k novel), McLaverty — "The Three Brothers," (a beautiful novel of Irish life), Ulanor — "The Incredible Cross," (a biography of the famous Bing).

At each service held in the afternoon and at night the bishop spoke, explaining significance of the Sacrament to children and congregations. The churches that held services were St. Alphonsus, St. Aloysius, St. Hyacinth's and St. Mary's.

The class presented for confirmation in St. Alphonsus church where the initial service was conducted numbered 182 and consisted of 152 children and 30 adults. It was the largest in any church. The adults numbered 18 men and 12 women.

Lecture Series Lists Dr. Adler

Dr. Mortimer J. Adler, professor at the University of Chicago, author and lecturer, will speak at the Aquinas Institute at 15 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 14, on the subject "Unity or Chaos" as the fifth in the Christian Culture Lectures.

Well known in Rochester for six previous addresses in the Aquinas series, the Jewish scholar is famed for popularizing adult education through study of "The Hundred Great Books" which he claims contain the core of all liberal knowledge beneath our whole tradition of learning and wisdom.

Born in New York City and associated with Chicago University for nearly twenty years, Dr. Adler has been a progressive and radical force in American educational circles. His thesis in this America "must support a world government binding all nations together or there will be no world."

Elmira HNS To Hear Baseball Manager

Members of St. Patrick's Holy Name Society of Elmira will receive Holy Communion in a body at the 7:30 Mass on Sunday.

On Thursday evening Nov. 18 the regular monthly meeting will be held in the school assembly rooms and an interesting talk will be given by Parky Rogers, popular Elmira manager who managed the Elmira entry in the Eastern League during the past season.

John T. Reidy, Society president will conduct the business session. Refreshments will be served by a committee headed by Samuel Falletta.

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AS LAY RETREATANTS HONOR BISHOP KEARNEY



To mark the 11th anniversary of His Excellency, Bishop Kearney's installation as Ordinary of the Rochester See, more than 300 lay retreatants came from various sections of the diocese for the dinner Monday at Rochester's Powers Hotel honoring the Bishop. With the Bishop, (center) are (from left) Charles A. Tucker, toastmaster; Very Rev. Augustine J. Aylward, C.S.S.R., Diocesan Retreat House of Our Lady of the Lake, director; Hon. John A. McKenna, New York City attorney and Frank E. Wolfe, president of Rochester Laymen's Retreat League.

Holy Name Men - Christian Personality To Sponsor Dance Is Analyzed By Jesuit

Auburn — The Holy Name Society of St. Francis church will sponsor a dance Friday evening, Nov. 19, at the Roman Hall. The dance will be held in conjunction with the celebration of the 40th anniversary of the founding of the church in Auburn. Music for dancing from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m. will be furnished by Joe Camardo and his orchestra.

Dominic Basile has been named general chairman of the party, assisted by the following committee chairman: Tickets, Angelo Gagliano, Publicity, Phillip Simone, Music, Frank DeMatteo.

Auburn — Power of personality is not an external thing, but "the something within us, that stamps us as individuals, making us just ourselves, like no one else."

This message was given members of the First Friday supper Club, sponsored by Auburn Council, Knights of Columbus, by the Rev. Mr. William Richardson S.J. of LeMoyne College faculty in Syracuse last Friday in the Council Home, Genesee St.

In his talk on "The Analysis of the Christian Personality," the Jesuit Scholastic declared personality is "as if God had thrown away the pattern that was all our own after He created us."

In the light of the recent election, Mr. Richardson pointed out that the polling booth is an implicit affirmation of the power of the individual, human soul by reason of our intellect and free will. Relative to this thought the young Jesuit mentioned an election cartoon which depicted the voter on a throne, King for a day, surrounded by a court of politicians. In God's scheme of creation he further observed "man is meant to be a king every day of his life."

THE SPEAKER particularly stressed the Christian notion of personality, declaring that the pagan never has known or never will know real freedom. The incarnation has made us infinitely more precious than any other work of the Creator and ours is the greater heritage because "The Cross of Christ on Calvary stands higher than the towers of the Roman Empire."

An inspiring word portrait of the Personality of Christ whose great secret is love was painted by the speaker. Christ's love for His Father and also for us, along with the strength and power of His Divine Will, prompted Him to lay down His life, just as He did His seamless coat, to repair and save humanity.

When we forge our personalities and model them on the Divine Personality, according to Mr. Richardson, we are really becoming other Christs. We go about expressing in all events just as He would. As we face the Challenge of the modern world, Our Lord is within us within our personality patterned after His. He supplies for our ignorance and weakness. His blood still flows in all our personalities modeled upon the Divine. In the face of all our troubles, trials and temptations, we tremble, but we are not afraid.

Throughout his address, the speaker quoted frequently from poetry, particularly from the works of Francis Thompson.

In attendance were over 20 Auburn students at LeMoyne who have recently organized the Auburn Club at the Syracuse college. John Costello of Myrtle Avenue is president. The meeting was covered by a student reporter and photographer of the staff of The Dolphin, LeMoyne's student publication.

St. Mary's Group Slates Supper

Auburn Annual covered dish supper of the Rosary and Scapular Society, St. Mary's Church will be held Thursday evening, Nov. 11, at 6:30 in Lyceum Hall.

The Rev. John Coonan, assistant pastor at St. Ann's Church, Hornell will be guest speaker. There will be music during the dinner and Truxton Hosley, well known Auburn magician, will entertain the gathering.

Mrs. J. J. Hickey, chairman, is assisted by a large committee, headed by co-chairmen, Mrs. Clara Miskell and Mrs. Joseph Emlaw.

Union Springs Society To Sponsor Card Party

Auburn — The Rosary and Altar Society of St. Michael's Church, Union Springs, will sponsor a card party at 8 p.m., Friday, Nov. 12, at the Union Springs Central School. Refreshments will be served in the cafeteria.

Divorce Undermines Nation, Geneva Newmanites Told

Geneva — Why Catholics believe as they do about marriage was the topic of a talk by Rev. Robert Fennessy at a communion breakfast of the Hobart and William Smith College chapter of the Newman clubs Sunday Oct. 31. About 60 students attended the breakfast in Hotel Seneca following the 9 a.m. Mass in St. Stephen's church.

Father Fennessy, assistant pastor at St. Stephen's is a consultant for the young people of Catholic faith who are contemplating marriage.

Catholic marriage is different from other, he said, because it is considered a sacrament as well as a contract.

He attacked divorce as a step which breaks the real, true bond of marriage. "No power on earth can break that bond," he declared. "DIVORCE IS WORSE than any threat of Communism," he said. "The backbone of the country is falling apart from this evil."

He said that the church's opposition to inter-religion marriages is to the interest of both parties. Difference of religion is a chief cause of dissension in marriage, he said.

Rev. Raymond P. Nolan, moderator of the Newman clubs, told the students "You have no idea how much good you can do. A Catholic must be the best kind of Catholic he knows how. You are living constantly with persons outside your faith. It is a challenge to you. You can serve Christ the King whose feast this is if you live your best."

Speakers were introduced by Joseph Trainor, president of the Newman club.

'Church Music' Talk Heard by Genevans

Geneva — Rosary Society of St. Francis de Sales Church heard a talk on "Church Music" by Rev. Vincent Collins, society moderator at a meeting Monday, Nov. 1, in the school hall.

Miss Margaret McCarthy, chairman of the entertainment committee, outlined plans for the year. These include a Christmas party and a question box on religious themes.

Cider and doughnuts were served. Mrs. Ivan Haines, Mrs. Nicholas Fleming and Mrs. John Malone were in charge. Halloween decorations were used.

Minimum Wage Law
El Paso, Tex. — (N.C.) Resolutions calling for passage of the Taff Elender-Wagner housing bill, a 75 cent an hour minimum wage law, and the Truman civil rights bill were passed by delegates at the annual meeting of the Catholic Council for the Spanish Speaking here.

Retreatants' 'Apostleship' Praised by Bishop, Judge

Laymen who make closed retreats and who urge others to do so are performing "a definite apostleship," His Excellency Bishop Kearney told over 300 members of the Laymen's Retreat League at their annual dinner Monday night (Nov. 8) in Rochester's Powers Hotel.

THE NEED OF retreats also was stressed by John A. McKenna of New York City, former Rockland County Court judge, principal speaker at the dinner, which was a testimonial to Bishop Kearney, who this week (Nov. 11) marked the 11th anniversary of his installation as Bishop of Rochester.

The Very Rev. Augustine J. Aylward, C.S.S.R., director of the Retreat League, lauded Bishop Kearney's "magnanimous thoughtfulness of others" and declared that retreatants have "no greater friend than our Most Reverend Bishop."

Hailed by Father Aylward as "the great builder," Bishop Kearney responded that "future generations in our diocese will owe a great debt to the Redemptorist Fathers and to you men who have built up this magnificent organization of retreatants."

REFERRING TO the late Pope Pius XII's "great interest in the retreat movement," the Bishop chose as the theme of his message a letter issued by the Pontiff during his Golden Jubilee in 1929, which urged clergy and laity to promote weekend retreats, to the end that men "may put on Christ."

"Fious retreats," the Papal letter declared, "compel the mind of a man to examine more diligently and intently into all the things that he has thought, or said, or done; they assist the human faculties in a marvelous manner, so that the mind becomes accustomed, in this spiritual arena, to weigh things maturely and with even balance; the will acquires strength and firmness, the passions are restrained by the rule of counsel... and the soul attains its native nobility and altitude."

Bishop Kearney noted that "only such introspection under the glare of God's resplendent light of truth and morality, will disclose man's true condition." Retreatants bring themselves, he added, "into the arms of Christ."

AN APPEAL "to approach nearer to God by contributing to

SAINTS TOPIC OF WMBO TALK

Auburn — Radio program, CathoHo News and Views, sponsored by the Auburn Council, Knights of Columbus, featured a discussion on the doctrine of the Communion of Saints last Sunday. The speakers included Joseph P. Giddy, John Sheehan, and Thomas Vail. The discussion on the three branches of the Church: the Church militant on earth, the Church triumphant in Heaven, and the Church suffering in Purgatory.

The program is a feature of the CathoHo Activities Committee of Auburn Council and can be heard every Sunday afternoon from 1:00 to 1:15 over station WMBO, Auburn. Edwin Nolan is program director.

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