

Scout Banner Work Of Carmelites



A beautiful banner of the Sacred Heart of Jesus signifying dedication of Holy Apostles Scout Troop No. 249 to the Sacred Heart and fashioned by the Discalced Carmelite Sisters of 1330 East Ave., Rochester, was blessed by the Rev. George V. Predmore, pastor, for the Scouts Sunday Scoutmaster H. L. Patterson and his troop attended the blessing after 8 a. m. Mass

LCBA To Collect Carmelites, Grateful For Gifts For Europe Aid, Tell Of New Trials

Gifts of a new garment for a European child are requested of members of Rochester Advisory Senate, Ladies Catholic Benevolent Association, who will attend the organization's Christmas party at 8 p. m. Monday, Dec. 27, in Our Lady of Perpetual Help Hall, Joseph Avenue.

Instead of an exchange of gifts as in the past the women have been asked to bring clothing for children in the one to six-year bracket. Included in the usual entertainment program for the Christmas party will be a showing of some colored slides the committee announced.

Continued need of war-ravaged Europeans is highlighted in a letter received recently by the Will Corporation, which for two years has been collecting and sending clothing to Carmelite monasteries overseas.

In charge of the project for the corporation is Joseph L. Nagel, who will arrange to make pickups. Clothing also may be left at the plant, 39-51 Russell St., Nagel pointed out.

Following is a letter from the Innsbruck Carmelite Cloister, Adalgasse 2, Tyrol, Austria, dated Oct. 22.

DEAR SIR:
Yesterday we received from the Vienna Charities three packages marked Will 1 to 3, and were overjoyed on unpacking them to find the precious articles of clothing. At the moment we are in great need of money and by sale of the shoes and clothing we can derive a small income.

Our little cloister was struck three times by bombs. The last bombing attack on Innsbruck was April 20, and a bomb fell on our little church. With confidence in God we started to rebuild. Soon it will be finished. Then we can restore our little holy place, dedicated to St. Joseph and St. Theresa again to the service of God.

Many, many cares and worries are unfortunately mixed with our joy over restoration of our church. For a long while we have been without money enough to pay the high cost of building.

Then, too, the dear God has tried us with sickness which traces back in part to undernourishment and overexertion. We should be grateful to the Good God that He graciously spared us sickness during the bombings. Our little cloister due to its nearness to the chief railroad station stood always in great danger.

Now you see, honored Sir, that your loving gift arrived at a most needy hour, and that it will be of so much service because from the clothing will come nourishment for the sick and money to pay our debts.

To you, dear Sir, and to the entire committee we say, deepest thanks from the bottom of our hearts for the great, meritorious gift of love.

We again thank you for this precious gift and pray God that He will strengthen each of you. His blessing. We place our prayers at the service of all your requests. Especially do we think of you each Wednesday, when we offer our Holy Communion for you and all benefactors in the U. S. A.

Means here, we of this convent present our warm, heartfelt wishes for your future well-being and remain with our most thankful expressions of respect.

SR. EMMANUELA MARIA OF ST. JOSEPH, Acting Prioress

30 Negro Tots To Be Feted At Charles House

More than 30 Negro children, ranging in age from three to ten years, will be guests of the Mother Cabrini Circle at a Christmas party from 3 to 5 p. m. Sunday, Dec. 26, at the Charles Settlement House, Saxton and Jay Streets.

Under the sponsorship of the Mother Cabrini Circle, these children meet each Sunday for about 20 Sundays yearly in the home of Mrs. Harriet Schuyler, Clarissa Street, for instruction in religion and in craft work.

Instructions are given by Miss Ruth Ehmman, the Misses Arline and Marguerite McCarthy, and Miss Wilma Higgs. Approximately half the children are Catholic, and are parishioners of Immaculate Conception, St. Joseph's, Corpus Christi and St. Andrew's churches.

The program is in its second year. The Circle is affiliated with the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women.

Hickey Named By Cathedral Men

John E. Hickey, 151 Avis Street, heads a new slate of officers elected recently by the Holy Name Society Men's Club of Sacred Heart Pro-Cathedral parish. He succeeds William A. Feldman.

Chosen to serve with him were: Robert P. Biele, second vice president; Howard Kannan, secretary; and Frank O'Neill, treasurer.

New directors are William Flynn, Joseph Ford and Jack Strouger, who will serve with holdover directors Theodor Houck, Frank Fink, Joseph O'Reilly and Oscar Trabold. The Rev. William F. Nolan, assistant pastor, is spiritual director.

Sodality Party Set At St. Augustine's

St. Augustine's Sodality will bring to a close a successful year with a gala Christmas party complete with Santa Claus, Wednesday, December 27, in the parish hall, from 9 to 12. All high schoolers are cordially invited.

Patricia Pullman and Robert Snow, general chairmen, will be assisted by co-chairmen, Ann Stenglein and William Wecker. The following will assist them: Eileen Dolan and Thomas Starn decorations; Genevieve Powers and James Maxwell, entertainment; Patricia Pullman and Gerald Lafferty, refreshments; Eileen Flanagan and John Schmidt, publicity.

Library Branches Open On Saturday

Branches of Rochester Public Library will resume Saturday service on Jan. 8. It was announced this week. Hours will be from 2 to 9 p. m. for adults and from 2 to 6 p. m. for children. Branches have not been open Saturdays since June.

The children's room at the library reopened in November. Hours are from 3 to 9 p. m. to 6 p. m. on Saturday.

IN PAGEANT AT CATHEDRAL



Children of Sacred Heart Pro-Cathedral School prominent in the annual Christmas Pageant are shown at the crib at the climax of the tableau Sunday afternoon. From left are shown Judith Sillson, Suzanne Ennis who were "angels" and Margaret Pavelick who had the Blessed Mother role. His Excellency, Bishop Kearney presided and sermon was given by the Rev. Vincent Dougherty, C.M.

Open House For Lay Group Set At St. William House

Annual Open House for members of St. Andrew's Lay Fraternity will be held at 8 p. m. Monday, Dec. 27, at St. William House, seminary dormitory on Buffalo Road, it was announced this week by Clarence Deckman, president.

The Rt. Rev. Msgr. Edward M. Lyons, rector of St. Andrew's Seminary, will be host. Following Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, a social program will follow under the direction of Frank J. Lange.

KC Open House Set New Year's

Customary Open House of the Knights of Columbus will be conducted in the R. of C. Clubrooms, Columbus Civic Center, Saturday, Jan. 1, New Year's Day, according to Grand Knight John J. Kinney.

Program in charge of House Committee Chairman Rocco F. Natale will begin at 3 p. m. and will include entertainment for the knights, their families and friends, and buffet luncheon.

Nazareth Hall Cast Acclaimed In Play

Pupils of Nazareth Hall presented "Bethlehem," a Nativity play in three scenes, as the Christmas entertainment program for His Excellency Bishop Kearney and a large audience.

John Sulzer opened the program with greetings and "Alleluia, Christ is Born" was sung. Prologue to the play was given by George Stewart.

In the cast were: Shepherds, Bruce Jappa, Bruce Metzger, David Hehr, John Cruppe, Gerald Wegman, Kings, Nelson Owen, Thomas Eagle, John LaPalm, Our Lady and St. Joseph, James Brown, Richard Crittenden, and Gabriel William Winans III.

\$20,000 Mark Passed In Health Seal Sale

More than \$20,000 has been received in the Christmas Seal Sale, which supports the work of the County Health Committee of the Tuberculosis and Health Association of Rochester and Monroe County. This is the total amount raised to Dec. 18 towards the goal of \$32,000, according to John C. Malloch, Chairman of the County Health Committee.

It was pointed out by officials of the Association that, while the 1943 Christmas Seal Sale officially closes Christmas Day, experience of other years indicates that approximately 20% of the total amount raised comes in after that date.

Midnight Masses Usher In Feast of Christmas

Birth of the Saviour will be heralded throughout the Diocese of Rochester with Solemn Midnight Masses and special music appropriate to the Feast of Christmas. In Sacred Heart Pro-Cathedral, His Excellency Bishop Kearney will pontificate at Midnight, assisted by the Rt. Rev. Msgr. George V. Burns, pastor, and priests of the Cathedral.

In many churches Christmas carols and processions to the Crib will precede the midnight services. The Cathedral Men's Choir will be heard in a special Christmas program directed by Raymond J. Hasenauer of Aquinas Institute faculty.

ARRANGEMENTS for the broadcasting of midnight services have been completed. The Bishop's Mass will be carried by WHAM. Other broadcasts will be: WEHC, Old St. Mary's Church, Rev. Dr. George F. Kottel, pastor; WVET, Holy Rosary Church, Rt. Rev. Msgr. Charles F. Shay, pastor; WSAV, St. Monica's Church, Very Rev. Msgr. Gerald C. Lambert, pastor.

In Elmira the St. Mary's Boys Choir will be heard in special music at the midnight Mass in St. Mary's Church. Other choirs have arranged special music. In the rest of Elmira deanery and in Auburn, Corning and Geneva deaneries choirs will sing joyous Christmas music.

The men's choir of St. Augustine's Church directed by William H. Doyle will be heard in Christmas carols from 11 until 11:30 p. m. This will be broadcast to the neighborhood through the sound system in the church tower. Hugo Maul will be at the organ.

A boys' choir of thirty voices, trained by Slater M. Florian, will be heard in Immaculate Conception Church, Rochester. An augmented choir directed by James E. Martin with Robert Heberger at the organ console will be heard.

Hugh E. Dodge will be at the organ in St. Monica's Church; Prof. Philip G. Kreckel at St. Boniface and Charles E. Claus at the newly rebuilt Holy Family Church organ.

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Eastern Rite Mass Slated

Midnight Mass according to the Byzantine Rite will be celebrated by the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Andrew Haskin, pastor, in St. Nicholas Church, 3000 Jackson St. A special Mass on Christmas Day will be celebrated at 9:30 a. m. Monsignor Haskin announced.

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Veterans To Hear Persian Choir

Canandaigua — The Persian Choir of Nazareth Academy will sing the 10:00 o'clock High Mass Christmas Day at the Veterans Hospital in Canandaigua.

Carols will be sung before Mass which will be held in the auditorium on the hospital grounds. Transportation is being furnished through the N.C.C.S. with headquarters in Geneva.

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