

Nativity Rites At St. Patrick Church Listed

Christmas schedule, for St. Patrick's Church, Elmira, announced that Confessions will be heard Friday afternoon from 3 until 6 p. m. and in the evening from 7:30 until 9 p. m.

The faithful are reminded that Friday is a day of fast and abstinence.

The church will be open at 11 o'clock and the boys' choir will broadcast Christmas Carols from the tower.

A Solemn High Mass will be celebrated at Midnight by the Rt. Rev. Msgr. William J. Brien, V. F., pastor, assisted by the Rev. William J. Gaynor, deacon and the Rev. John A. Murphy, sub-deacon.

Parish Distributes Holy Name Calendars

Parish calendars for 1949 distributed by the Rev. William J. Naughton, pastor of St. Peter & Paul Church, Elmira, are the official calendars of the national Holy Name Society.

Father Naughton, who is spiritual director of the Elmira Deanery Holy Name Union, notes that on the back of each calendar page is information that every Catholic and every Holy Name man should know.

Women's Vocation Clubs London — (NC) — Vocation clubs, to bring together women and girls who are thinking of a religious vocation, are soon to be started in London.

Christmas Midnight Masses To Present Trained Choirs In Joyful Music as Elmira's Welcome New-Born Savior



St. Mary's Boys' Choir of Elmira, above, has become a tradition in the parish according to parishioners. The present choir is composed of 48 boys selected from the fourth through the eighth grades of St. Mary's School. The boys practice every school day from 8 until 8:50 a. m. A typical rehearsal includes

Christmas carols and hymns heralding the birth of the Savior will be heard in special Christmas music programs in churches of the Elmira deanery according to pastors of the various churches. Special programs sent for publication appear below:

ST PATRICK'S CHURCH ELMIRA

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William J. Brien, V. F., Pastor

The feast of Christmas will be celebrated in St. Patrick's Church with a Solemn High Mass at Midnight. The Pastor, Rt. Rev. Msgr. William J. Brien, V. F., will be celebrant. From 11:00 o'clock until midnight, the vested chorists of 30 voices will sing Christmas Carols to be amplified from the Church tower after which there will be a Solemn Procession to the Crib. The remaining portion of the musical program will be sung by the two choirs as follows:

MIDNIGHT MASS
SOLEMN HIGH MASS
Christmas Carols ... Boys' Choir

- Introit—Dominus Dixit ... Gregorian
- Boys' Choir
- Kyrie and Gloria—Missa "Salve Regina" ... Stehle
- Adult Choir
- Gradual—Tantum Principium ... Tozer
- Boys' Choir
- Credo III ... 17th Century
- Male Voices
- Offertory—Laetentur Coeli ... Tozer
- Boys' Choir
- Supplementary Offertory—Adeste Fideles ... Novella
- Adult Choir
- Sanctus, Benedictus, Agnus Dei, Missa "Salve Regina" ... Stehle
- Adult Choir
- Communio—In Splendoribus ... Tozer
- Boys' Choir
- Recessional—Holy God ... Traditional

tuning-up exercises, preparation of the Proper of the Sunday Mass, Gregorian Mass parts, two and three-part offertories, and, occasionally, a two-part Mass. They are directed by Sister Thomas Maria and will be heard during the Christmas services as will other choirs in the Elmira area.

CHOIRS AND CONGREGATION

Adult Choir
Mrs. Matthew Fennell, Mrs. Edward Sliney, Mrs. Francis Mockler, Mrs. Thomas Gaffey, Mrs. William Murphy, Mrs. Marion Burke, Miss Julia Cain, Miss Beatrice Kissane, Messrs. Joseph P. O'Neil, George F. Givens, Francis J. Mockler, Ernest Fennell, J. Henry Brown, Jack Blison.

Sister Mary Cecelia is director of the Boy's Choir and Mrs. Frances F. Lynch is organist.

ST MARY'S CHURCH ELMIRA

Rev. Thomas J. Toole, Pastor

Program for Christmas Midnight Mass sung by St. Mary's Boys' Choir:
From 11:40 until 11:55 carols will be sung.

MIDNIGHT MASS

- Introit—Dominus dixit ... Gregorian
- Kyrie—Missa Regina Angeiorum ... Capocci
- Gloria In Excelsis Deo ... Ambrosian
- Gradual—Tantum principium ... Gregorian
- Recto tono ... Gregorian
- Alliulia ... Gregorian
- Credo III ... Gregorian
- Offertory—Laetentur coeli ... Gregorian
- Supplementary Offertory—Adeste Fideles ... Capocci
- Sanctus ... Capocci
- Benedictus ... Capocci
- Agnus Dei ... Capocci
- Communio—In splendoribus ... Gregorian
- Recessional—Angels We Have Heard on High ... arr. Vernon
- Program for the Mass of the Day at 11 o'clock on Christmas, sung by St. Mary's Girls' Choir: Carols before Mass.
- Introit—Puer natus est ... Gregorian
- Kyrie—Mass of the Shepherds ... Yon
- Gloria in excelsis Deo ... Yon
- Gradual—Viderunt omnes ... Yon
- Recto tono ... Gregorian
- Alliulia ... Gregorian
- Credo I ... Gregorian
- Offertory—Tui sunt coeli ... Gregorian
- Supplementary Offertory—Tollite Hostias ... C. St. Saens
- Sanctus ... Yon
- Benedictus ... Yon
- Agnus Dei ... Yon
- Communio Viderunt omnes ... Gregorian
- Recessional—When Blossoms Flowered ... Yon

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH, ELMIRA

Rev. T. J. Winterboth, Pastor

An organ and choral prelude will precede the Solemn High Mass at Midnight. The processional will be "Silent Night," during which the ministers of the Mass will walk in procession to the Crib.

ST CECILIA'S CHURCH

Rev. Arthur C. Smith, Pastor

The music for Midnight Mass in St. Cecilia's Church will be sung by the girls' choir consisting of thirty-nine voices. The program for the Mass is as follows:
Kyrie—Missa Brevis ... Montani
Gloria in Excelsis Deo—Missa Brevis ... Montani
Credo III—De Angelis ... XVII Century melody
Offertory—Tollite Hostias ... C. St. Saens
Sanctus—Missa Brevis ... Montani
Benedictus—Missa Brevis ... Montani

arranged by the Rev. Carlo Rossini, will be sung by the male choir; and the "Adeste Fideles" by Rossini, by the mixed choir. "Tollite Hostias," by Saint-Saens, is the Offertory; and the Recessional, "Adeste Fideles," arranged by P. G. Kreckel for bagpipe and choir.

The Choir: Miss Margaret Frederick, Carmela Trevis, Joan Bacon.

Mesdames Leonard DesJardins, Arthur L. DesJardins, Mlle A. Dunham, Gertrude Miller, Charles Ruhmel, John J. Ruhmel Jr., Arnold Schrage, Messrs. Arthur L. DesJardins, Frank T. Ketter, Richard S. Rhode, Armin Schrage, Arnold Schrage, Philip Sutton, James J. Powers, Jr.

Organist and director, Mrs. John E. Bacon.

ST. CHARLES CHURCH ELMIRA MEMBERS

Rev. William M. Casassa, Pastor

The feast of Christmas will be celebrated in St. Charles' Church with a Solemn High Mass at Midnight. The Pastor, Rev. William M. Casassa, will be celebrant. The choir will sing Christmas Carols before Midnight Mass. The program is as follows:

CHRISTMAS CAROLS

Silent Night, Angels We Have Heard on High, Dear Little One, How Sweet Thou Art, O Holy Night.

MIDNIGHT MASS

Kyrie and Gloria—Missa Brevis ... Montani
Credo III ... 17 Century
Offertory—Adeste Fideles ... Novella
Sanctus, Benedictus, Agnus Dei—Missa Brevis ... Montani
Recessional—Holy God ... Traditional

Masses Christmas Day—8:00, (Continued on Page 2)

Christmas Masses

Schedule for Masses for Christmas in the Elmira area follows:
St. Patrick's—Midnight, 6:30, 8:45, 10, 11 and 12:15.
St. Mary's—Midnight, 8:30, 7:30, 9, 10, 11.

Our Lady of Lourdes—Midnight, 7, 8, 10, 11.

St. Cecilia's—Midnight, 7, 8:30, 9:30, 11.

St. Peter and Paul—Midnight, 7:30, 9, 10, 11.

St. John the Baptist—Midnight, 7, 7:30, 8, 8:30, 10:30.

St. Anthony's—Midnight, 7:30, 8:30, 9:30 and 11.

St. Cecilia's—Midnight, 8, 9:30 and 11.

St. Charles Borromeo—Midnight, 8, 9, 10 and 11.

St. Mary's—Hormadus—Midnight, 8:30 and 10.

Window-Display Contest Stresses Yule Meaning

Corning — Winners in a window display contest to depict the spiritual significance of Christmas among high schools of Corning are announced today. The contest was motivated by Miss Madeline McNamara of Corning who worked untiringly to bring about the success of the contest.

Northside High School won the \$25.00 award of the Business Bureau of the Corning Chamber of Commerce for the best portrayal of "Peace on Earth" theme of the contest. Corning Free Academy was second and honorable mention was accorded Campbell Central School. Both schools art departments were awarded \$5.00 each. These prizes were donated by the Merchants Bureau of the Corning Chamber of Commerce.

THE WINNING SCHOOL was also awarded \$5.00 by Corning Council, Knights of Columbus and Corning Lodge of Elks; Court St. Joseph Catholic Daughters of America offered an award of a ceramic by Clairborne Foster sculptress of note, and the Corning Glass Works, a photograph on glass of Albrecht Durer's "Praying Hands."

Judges for the contest were Frederick Carden, noted authority on art in glass; Jack Ward, specialist in architectural design; Joseph LaLonde, well known local artist; Mrs. L. A. Scotchman of the Woman's Community Club; Mrs. Theron Smith, Mrs. Robert Callard, president of the Corning Woman's Club and Mrs. Edith Cheney of the State Youth Commission.

The Corning Free Academy arranged its display in the J. P. and M. Sullivan Furniture Store; the Northside High School in the New York Central Electric Company and Crystal City Gas Company's window had the Campbell Central School's display.

In addition to these window displays others have also been arranged by the following: Girl Scout Troop 17 in the Corning Loan Association; G. S. Troop 6000.

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Just as the shining star of Bethlehem foretold a glorious Christmas, so today it symbolizes a fervent wish for your happiness complete with peace and good will at this joyous Christmas time.

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May the Spirit of Christmas brighten all lands . . .

May the Joy of Christmas visit every family . . .

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