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Fr. Ehmman Recital To Aid Trumansburg Church

Watkins Glen — A piano recital by the Rev. Benedict Ehmman, pastor of St. Mary's of the Lake Church will be given for the benefit of St. James of the Apostle Church, Trumansburg, ruined last week by a disastrous fire.



REV. BENEDICT EHMANN

The recital will be held Sunday, Feb. 27 in Watkins Glen High School Auditorium at 8 p.m. and will be under the sponsorship of the Holy Name Society of St. Mary's of the Lake Church.

Father Ehmman who was formerly professor of Church Music at St. Andrew's and St. Bernard's Seminaries is widely known as a concert pianist. His talents are being given to assist the Rev. Leonard A. Kelly restore the Trumansburg Church which was almost totally destroyed by fire of undetermined origin last week.

Plans for the concert which will have an attractive program are being made by a committee headed by James Conroy, president of the Holy Name men.

CDA Card Party Proceeds Go To Trumansburg Aid

Watkins Glen — Proceeds from the annual charity card party of Court Lourdes, No. 628, Catholic Daughters of America scheduled for tonight (Thursday, Feb. 10) will be given to the Rev. Leonard A. Kelly, Trumansburg pastor, to rebuild his fire-damaged church, the Court voted at its February meeting.

Miss Marie Curry, state regent of the C.D.A. will visit Court Lourdes on May 17 and that date was set by the Court for its annual banquet. Mrs. Edna Schultz was appointed chairman and will announce her committee at the next meeting.

The Rev. Benedict Ehmman talked on the anniversary of Our Lady of Lourdes and asked the members to attend Mass on that morning, Friday, Feb. 11, to mark their patronal feast day. Lunch was served by Mesdames Helen Feast, Joanna Fordham, Mary Ellen Culligan, Lorna DeWitt and the Misses Betty Haughey, Regina Donnellis and Hanna Donnellis.

Scout Sunday Set At Elmira Church

Boy Scouts of St. Patrick's parish, Elmira will observe National Scouting Week next Sunday by receiving Holy Communion with their Fathers and other members of the Holy Name Society at the 7:30 Mass.

Leaders Of HNS Campaign In Elmira



Directing the intensive membership campaign of St. Mary's Holy Name Society of Elmira are above officers. Seated (from left) Thomas A. Cowley, first vice president; Frank C. Kessing, president; Rev. James C. Lane, spiritual director; J. Patrick Ryan, second vice president; Standing (from left) Joseph A. Lynch, financial secretary; John J. Roth, treasurer and Walter F. Farrell, recording secretary.

Communion Set By Lourdes Units, Triduum Is Held

Sunday is regular Communion Sunday for members of the Rosary Altar and the Holy Name Societies of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Elmira.

Both groups will receive at the 9 o'clock Mass. Following Mass the Holy Name members will hold a Communion breakfast and the regular monthly meeting in the church hall.

THE ANNUAL TRIDIUM in honor of Our Lady of Lourdes was held this week in Our Lady of Lourdes church, Elmira. The Rev. Joseph G. Merkel, assistant pastor of St. Peter and Paul's church was the preacher for the three days. All attending the evening services were blessed each evening with a relic of St. Bernadette.

Members of the High School Sodality of Our Lady, occupied front pews at the services. They sang Hymns in honor of Our Blessed Mother.

MISS CATHERINE Connelly was the guest speaker at the monthly meeting of the Rosary Altar Society of Our Lady of Lourdes parish, Elmira held Tuesday evening following the Triduum services. Miss Connelly spoke on "Americans from Ireland."

The business session was followed by a program of games. Refreshments were served.

Enters Notre Dame U. — Seneca Falls — James Rogers son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin J. Rogers Sr. State St. James has been studying at Seton Hall College, South Orange, N. J., for the past year and a half. He is a Pre-Law student.

400 New Members Signed By Holy Name Society

More than 400 new members have been enrolled in St. Mary's Holy Name Society, Elmira, as the result of an intensive campaign now in progress, according to the Rev. James C. Lane, Spiritual Director.

All men of the parish will be contacted during the two weeks effort, either by personal calls or a letter of invitation. Frank C. Kessing, Society president is directing the work aided by the other officers.

A "Get Acquainted" meeting is being held tonight (Feb. 10) in the school auditorium. All new members were invited to attend.

The Rev. William J. Naughton, pastor of St. Peter and Paul's church and Deanery Director of Holy Name Societies is the speaker on this program. All members of the Society will receive Holy Communion on Sunday at the 7:30 Mass for the special intention of Cardinal Mindszenty.

St. Anthony Men Pray for Cardinal Breakfast Set By Watkins Men

Watkins Glen — A talk on "Church and State" will feature the annual Communion Breakfast of the Holy Name Society of St. Mary's of the Lake Church, Sunday, Feb. 13 at the Jefferson Hotel at 9:30 a.m.

Speaker will be Richard Spitzer, principal of Shortsville High School, a member of the Rochester Knights of Columbus Speakers Bureau.

The semi-annual reception ceremony for new members will be held after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. All Holy Name men are urged by the committee to attend and renew their pledge.

On the committee are the Rev. Benedict Ehmman, pastor, James Conroy, John Frank and Walter Sprout.

Holy Name Men To Hear Attorney Burke

The Holy Name Society of St. Peter and Paul's Church, Elmira, will hold their February Communion Breakfast Sunday, Feb. 13. For some time now the regular meetings of this Society are in the form of a Communion Breakfast.

The men of the Society receive Holy Communion at the 7:30 Mass and immediately after Mass are served breakfast in the School Hall by members of the Immaculate Heart Society.

The Business meeting takes place after the meal at the meeting this Sunday James J. Burke, a local attorney will speak.

The following members are on the Arrangement Committee for this month's breakfast: Joseph Rice, John Maslinski, Jerome Van Ben Coten, Albert Betts, Jr., George Bragg, Emil Paganelli, Julian Scarp, James Haw, John Keeley and Walter Lorgan, Sr.

Fashion Show Set By Aquinas Mothers

Plans for an E. W. Edwards-produced Fashion Show and a card party to be held Friday evening, May 6 were made at the business meeting of Aquinas Mothers Club held this week at the residence of Mrs. William J. Dempsey, club president.

Monroe CWV Open Information Class

Rochester's first public instruction series for non-Catholics seeking information about the Catholic Church will open at Hotel Seneca next Tuesday evening, Feb. 15, at 8 o'clock.

Offering a complete course of instructions on the principles and practices of Catholicism, the series will extend over 24 Tuesday evening periods. There will be no fees for the instructions and all textbooks and study material will be furnished free.

THE REV. RICHARD Torrey, associate editor of the Courier Journal, will be instructor of the first convert class formed.

Each informal instruction in the series will last one hour. Father Torrey stated, and will be followed by a question period. Beginning with talks on the existence of God, the divinity of Christ and the place of religion

in life, "the series will treat logically every phase of faith and morals required to prepare the inquirers for Baptism," he said.

In announcing specific details of the information series Father Torrey and CWV officers emphasized that the instruction classes were for non-Catholics only. The parish committees of the veterans were laying particular stress on soliciting the attendance of the non-Catholic spouses of mixed marriages in their respective parishes.

"WE HAVE RECEIVED many calls asking whether Catholics who want further instruction in their religion may attend the series," Father Torrey said.

"But we have had to refuse them, for the object of the course and the facilities we have will only be for well-intentioned non-Catholic inquirers."

"For a few weeks, however, we will welcome Catholics who offer to bring non-Catholic friends to begin instructions."

The convert-making plan, approved by the Charity, is being financed by ten CWV posts of Monroe County. The veterans have pledged themselves to promote the series by personal solicitation among their non-Catholic friends and associates. The general public is being invited through newspaper advertising.

The program was unanimously voted at the annual convention of the Monroe County CWV held in East Rochester last month.

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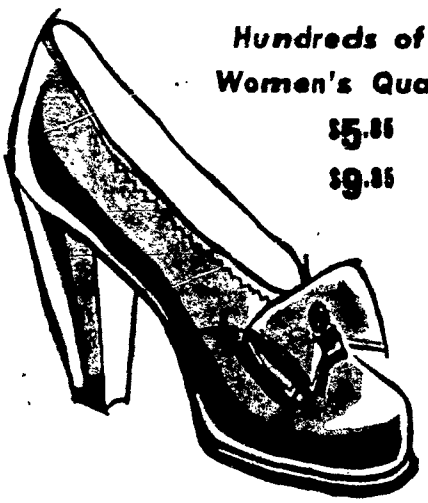
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