

**Novena of Grace Held In Corning**

**Novena of Grace** — A Novena of Grace sponsored by St. Patrick's Church on Saturday, March 4 and will continue through March 12, according to the Rev. William Conroy, pastor. The closing date of the Novena marks the anniversary of the canonization of St. Francis Xavier.

In addition to a sermon on the life of St. Francis Xavier each evening at 7:30 o'clock, Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament is being solemnized as well as veneration of a relic of St. Francis.

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**Miss McNamara's Performance At Aquinas Hailed**

**Rocheater** — A small but appreciative audience braved the blizzard Sunday night, Feb. 26, to hear Madeline McNamara present her "Displaced Persons" at Aquinas Institute under the auspices of the Christian Culture Series.  
Miss McNamara who was introduced by Mrs. James M. Mangin, president of the Rocheater Community Players gave seven dramatic monologues. In the first, "Dress Rehearsal," she played the part of a mother, trained society matron.  
IN "MAVOUNEEN," a character was an aged Irish apple woman, in "William Goes To Camp" a dolling mother. After an intermission she presented four longer sketches "Displaced Persons," in which she was an ex-Nazi mother, "Ranch Owner's Wife," "Lady with a Lamp" in which she was Florence Nightingale and "I've Got My Princes" in which she was a Broadway chorus girl.  
While the comic sketches and especially "William Goes To Camp" naturally drew the most spontaneous applause, Miss McNamara proved herself truly versatile in recreating a variety of characters. With no make-up and only the hint of a special costume, she was able through change of voice, facial expression, and gesture to move easily and convincingly from Irish crone to German wife, Western yankee and Victorian Lady.  
SHE PROJECTED the emotion of the part realistically, and held the audience's attention throughout. The program was a rewarding experience.  
At the close of the performance the Rev. Alphonse Malone, C.S.B., director of the Aquinas Christian Culture Series, announced that the next presentation of the Series would be His Imperial Highness, Archduke Otto of Austria who will lecture on the subject "Today's Christian Europe" on Sunday, Mar. 26, A. D.

**SODALITY LEADERS CONFERENCE**



Conferring with His Excellency Bishop Kearney at the Rochester Student Sodality Convention at Our Lady of Mercy High School, Rochester are (from left) Rev. Francis K. Drolet, S.J., principal speaker, Gertrude Erb, secretary, Rochester Deaneary Sodality Union, the Bishop and Andrew J. Van Hedy, of Elmira, Prefect of Rochester Diocesan Student Sodality Union.

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**Elmira KC Bowlers Win By 432 Margin**

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C. Runnel paced the Elmira team with a 97 series which included 123 high single for Rocheater. Ray Hasenauer was high in those games with 562. Ed Skelly's 218 was high single for the Rocheater knights.

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Ella on Thelma Jordan, B  
Zamba, A1  
**STRAND**  
Undertow, A2  
She Wore a Yellow Ribbon, A1  
Tough Assignment, A1  
Hired Wife, B  
Son of Monte Cristo, A1  
Abandoned, A1  
Song of Surrender, A2  
Montana, A1  
Law Comes to Texas, A1

**Elmira Catholic Highlights**

**By REGINA BUSH**  
Elmira Catholic High School Juniors, under the direction of Sister Teresa Clare, are preparing an assembly to be held on St. Patrick's Day.  
Here at Catholic High St. Patrick's Day is a major Feast day with all the students and faculty whether they be children of the Emerald Isle or not. So we can honestly say that the assembly will be a bright spot in this year's activities of Catholic High. From all reports it will be packed with Irish wit, spirit and lyrics too.  
**Patron Drive**  
"Eucharists" Patron Drive officially ended last Friday and the Senior Class wishes to extend grateful thanks to all the students and friends who supported and helped them.  
**Stamp Drive**  
The drive for cancelled stamps is still going strong and rumors have it that the final contest will be between the Seniors and Sophomores. The present Seniors have the experience of three successive victories behind them and will establish a record at Catholic High if they should take this year's cup too.  
**Essay Contest**  
Many of our students are busy preparing essays for an essay contest sponsored by the Knights of Columbus in conjunction with the 1950 World Festival of America. The contest is open to all students of Catholic High, Elmira Free Academics and the Southside High School. A separate 25 dollar savings bond will be awarded to a winner from each school along with a World Peace Medal.  
**Going To Work**  
Last Friday afternoon the Seniors who are planning on working upon graduation from Catholic High were honored to be addressed by Miss Adeline Mazure of the U. S. Employment Bureau. Miss Mazure advised the students on acquiring jobs and

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