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Bishop Confirms 'Incurably Ill' Boy, 3



Three-year-old Vincent Battaglia of Rochester (whom doctors give less than a year to live) received the Sacrament of Confirmation from His Excellency Bishop Kearney last Sunday afternoon in Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church.

Little Vinnie, victim of an eye cancer which physicians claim is incurable, was specially confirmed by the Bishop at the request of the boy's pastor, the Rev. Charles J. Azzl.

John was the name chosen for Vinnie's confirmation. His sponsor was Salvatore Fichera. The Sacrament was conferred in the sacristy following the scheduled confirmation of children of the parish at 5 p.m.

THUS, THROUGH Confirmation, the ailing lad received his most honored gift, the Holy Ghost, Third Person of the Blessed Trinity—at a time when several organizations, neighbors, and persons who have read of his plight, in the belief that this may be Vinnie's last Christmas, have been preparing to shower him with presents.

Last August the handsome, brown-haired only son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph S. Battaglia was stricken with cancer of the right eye. Doctors say there is no hope for him. His father is a machinist in a Rochester plant, and his mother works afternoons and evenings as a restaurant waitress.

Nights are long and unhappy for little Vinnie, whose pain seldom allows him an unbroken sleep. He is taken regularly to a local hospital for treatment. Vinnie's fourth birthday is due Jan. 7.

Junior League Sets Christmas Dinner

St. Mary's Junior League will hold their annual Christmas party and dinner at the University Club, 26 Broadway, Tuesday, Dec. 12 at 8 p.m.

Mrs. Howard Witzel is general chairman and will be assisted by Mrs. Donald Seebach, Mrs. Anne Worden, Mrs. Ernest VanBillard, and Mrs. William Callahan.

Reservations may be made by calling Mrs. Callahan, GEN. 1618 on or before Saturday, Dec. 9.

Little Vincent Battaglia, whom doctors give less than a year to live because of what they claim to be an incurable eye cancer, is shown in the arms of his mother, Mrs. Joseph S. Battaglia, after he received the Sacrament of Confirmation in Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church. With them are the Rev. Charles J. Azzl, pastor, and Salvatore Fichera, Confirmation sponsor.

Newspaper Official Acclaims Papal Profit-Sharing Plan

Cincinnati, O. — (NC)—It's surprising how well the profit-sharing idea proposed in the Rerum Novarum Encyclical of Pope Pius XI works out, James L. Mahony, promotion manager of The New Hampshire Morning Union and The Manchester (N.H.) Evening Ledger, declared here.

"This year, I've got \$700 as my share of the profits of our newspaper," said Mr. Mahony, who came here to help plan the third annual conference of the Council of Profit Sharing Industries. The convention will bring together some of the country's leading business men and industrialists to discuss problems of dealing the employees in on profits at sessions from November 30 and December 1.

MR. MAHONY said the profit-sharing idea he referred to is in these words in Rerum Novarum: "We consider it more advisable, however, in the present condition of human society that, as far as possible, the work contract be somewhat modified by a partnership contract, as is already being done in various ways and with no small advantage to workers and owners. Workers and other employees thus become sharers in ownership of the enterprise in some fashion in the profits received."

Mr. Mahony said that a common example of profit-sharing takes place every time a baseball world series is played—the distribution of part of the series receipts among the players responsible for their club's success.

MORE SPECTACULAR, Mr. Mahony said, has been the experience of the Lincoln Electric Company of Cleveland, O., a member industry of the profit sharing council. He explained: "The average employee's wages last year was \$3,000, and added to that was his share of the profit, which also averaged \$3,000, boosting the total to \$6,000. In 1948 the earnings of the same employees averaged \$7,100 as a result of profit sharing."

Profit sharing also promotes domestic peace, he observed. Mr. Mahony related that when he came home with his \$700 in profit, his wife welcomed him with open arms.

Defense Officials Seek Blood Donors

With the serious turn of the war being fought in Northwest Korea, the Defense Department has called upon the American National Red Cross to make daily shipments of blood for plasma during the month of December to meet the needs of the armed forces fighting in the war zone.

Donald E. McConville, chairman of the Rochester Regional Red Cross Blood Program, announced that the Rochester Blood Center has been called on to furnish 1100 pints of blood during December. This amount will be over and above the normal number of pints which must be collected to take care of the needs of civilian hospitals.

First shipment for the military left the Rochester Center, bound for the West coast, on Dec. 4; a similar shipment will go out every week. Monday through Friday, for the duration of the month, McConville said. Blood shipped must be collected from the donors on the same day that it is scheduled to be sent out.

Forty Hours

Devotions of the Forty Hours will be conducted in the Diocese of Rochester as follows:

Friday, Dec. 8—St. Peter and Paul, Rochester; Franciscan Fathers, Watkins Glen.

Sunday, Dec. 10—Blessed Sacrament, Mercy Motherhouse, Rochester.

Hornell DCCW Unit Opens 'First Saturday' Series

Hornell—One hundred women from St. Ann's and St. Ignace Loyola parishes attended a "First Saturday" luncheon sponsored by the Hornell District of the NCCW on Dec. 2 at Hotel Sherwood.

The luncheon was the initial one in a series planned by Hornell District members to pay tribute to the Blessed Virgin under her title, Our Lady of Fatima.

The Rev. John D. Malley, assistant pastor of St. Ann's Church, guest speaker, gave the luncheon address which was illustrated by colored films he took while on a recent Holy Year pilgrimage to Rome, Fatima, Lourdes and other points of religious interest.

FATHER MALLEY, who spent some time at the famed Fatima Shrine, explained to the group the significant devotion Portugal always has had for the Blessed Mother.

Although the Portuguese nation dates from before the time of Christ, it was in the 12th century that the country was formally dedicated to the Mother of God, Father Malley related. Again in 1646 the King of Portugal placed his kingdom in the "hands of the Blessed Mother."

Out of respect to Mary, Queen of Heaven, the kings who succeeded him presented their crowns to Mary through the medium of the Vatican.

Pope Benedict XV predicted that any country with such ardent devotion to Mary would be spared from catastrophe. She has, the priest added, been preserved from the horrors of two wars.

Considering the religious background of the little country, it is not surprising that Mary blessed Portugal with her appearances at Fatima, Father Malley pointed out.

It was in 1917, he continued, that the Blessed Virgin made six visitations to three young peasant children. Clothed in shining white and carrying the Rosary, the Blessed Mother instructed the children to do penance for sinners, say the Rosary devoutly and pray for the conversion of sinners and the return of the world to Christ.

Considering the plight of the world today, it is wholesome for each Catholic woman to ask herself, "What am I doing to bring about peace in the world and the conversion of Russia?" Father Malley concluded.

MISS JOSEPHINE FITZGERALD, president of the Hornell District, president of the local branch, the Rev. John Conanan, moderator, said grace and later spoke on the NCCW's purpose in sponsoring "First Saturday" luncheons.

"It is in keeping with Our Lady of Fatima's wish that the first Saturday of each month be set aside for her special honor," Father Conanan explained. He

Webster HN Men List Fr. Hanna

The Rev. Austin B. Hanna, chaplain of St. Joseph's Villa, diocesan orphanage, will be principal speaker at the monthly breakfast meeting of the Holy Name Society of Holy Trinity Church, Webster, at 9:15 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 10, in the school hall.

Father Hanna, who served more than five years in the U. S. Chaplains Corps, will speak on "The Philosophy of Humour."

James O. Stein, president of the Holy Name Society, announced that the men will receive corporate Communion at the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

MISS VIRGINIA HUSSONG, Hornell District NCCW has relief services chairman, announced that a clothing collection to replenish the Vatican storehouse would be held December 20 from 1 until 5 p.m.

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'Yule Visit To Villa For 40-8

Members of Vulture No. 111 of the American Legion Forty and Eight organization will pick up Santa Claus on Saturday, Dec. 16 and take him to St. Joseph's Villa, Dewey Ave. for the Vulture's annual visit to the Home.

The veterans group has taken a special interest in this Home as a part of their Child Welfare program, according to Child Welfare Chairman Louis J. Muka.

The children have sent their letters to Santa Claus and their requests will be fulfilled by the committee.

Entertainment, food and gifts will be provided for all at the visit.

Northrup, Flushing, (N.Y.) Three Yule visits to the Villa have been provided for Fort Union University in the national wide campaign against cancer. Federal Security Administrator Oscar R. Ewing has announced.

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