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**St. Joseph Sisters Mark Patronal Feast At Mass**

God's blessings on the Sisters of St. Joseph in their teaching of youth the "real principles of Catholicism" was asked by the Rt. Rev. Magr. Charles F. Shay at the Solemn High Mass marking the Patronal Feast of the Congregation and celebrated Tuesday, April 3 in Holy Family Chapel of Nazareth Convent, Pittsford.

The Mass was offered by the Rt. Rev. Magr. John M. Duffy. He was assisted by the following: Deacon, Rev. Dr. Charles J. Mahoney; Subdeacon, Rev. Charles V. Doyle; Master of Ceremonies, Rev. Edward J. Lintz; Second Master, Rev. William H. Shannon; Acolytes, Rev. Michael J. Tydings and Rev. Francis J. Pegan; Thurifer, Rev. John A. Morgan; Cross Bearer, Rev. Raymond J. Wahl.

MONSIGNOR SMAY extended the greetings and blessing of His Excellency Bishop Kearney to the assembled Sisters. He mentioned that there is little written in the Scriptures about Saint Joseph "but this we do know: Joseph's simplicity was the result of his perfect conformity to God's Will."

He drew a parallel to the life of a Sisters of St. Joseph and said: "You have a grand chance and opportunity today in this particular part of the world to teach the youth of this country what they need so badly—the real principles of Catholicism."

"May God grant that you and all those who are associated with the name of the Sisters of Saint Joseph may carry out God's Will in your own humble way, the way your patron, Saint Joseph did in the days when he was on earth," the Monsignor said.

The polyphonic Mass in honor of Saint Joseph, composed by Sister M. Florian was sung by a choir of 250 Sisters. A Schola Cantorum of 75 voices sang the Proper for the Mass of the Feast.

Also attending were the Rt. Rev. Magr. Joseph S. Cameron, the Rt. Rev. Magr. F. William Stauder and the Very Rev. Magr. Gerald C. Lambert.

Also the Reverend Fathers: Michael J. Krieg, Joseph H. Geffel, Louis Edelmann, George J. Schmitt, Leo V. Smith, Frank J. Hoelen, Francis W. Luddy, Albert J. Geiger, Leo C. Mooney, Gerald T. Brennan, Raymond J. Epping, William J. Naughton, J. Joseph O'Connell, John C. O'Donnell, Roy B. Morphy, Harold F. Rogers, Austin B. Hanna, Francis E. Heater, John L. Maxwell, John F. Murphy, C.S.B., W. O. Bergan, C.S.B., George S. Wood, John S. Hayes, James Callan, Donald J. Murphy, Donald J. Mulcahy, George A. Cocuzzi, Patrick J. Grac, and Edward Steinkirchner.

**B. E. Cowley, 92 Dies. Funeral Held In Corning**

Corning—Bernard E. Cowley, 92, who resided with his daughter, Mrs. May Troll at 181 West St., passed away at his home in Corning Tuesday morning, April 2, 1931. He was an old friend of the late Mrs. Bernard Cowley. He had farmed in this area most of his life. His wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Cowley died in Elmira several years ago. Mr. Cowley was a member of St. Vincent de Paul's Church.

Surviving his daughter, Mrs. Troll, he is survived by six sons, Bernard J. of Buffalo, John J. Cowley of Corning, Richard J. Cowley, Francis F. Cowley and Phillip G. Cowley of Elmira, Lawrence J. Cowley of Little Valley, seven daughters, Mrs. Troll and Mrs. Lucy Wessing of Painted Post; Mrs. Justin Gill and Mrs. John T. Ruddy of Elmira; Mrs. Paul Lavette and Mrs. James Ward of Corning; Mrs. Edward M. Maney of Endicott; two sisters, Mrs. D. M. Driscoll of Corning and Mrs. T. J. Marriott of Buffalo; 33 grandchildren and 17 great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held from the A. W. Bellby and Son Funeral Home Thursday and in St. Vincent de Paul's Church, burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery.

**Weddings in Corning**

**Miss Frances Taylor** (sister of Washington, D. C. member of "All Our Sins" weekly column syndicated by N.Y.W.C. News Service, has been named as vicar for the 1931 Communion Week of the Holy Name Society, Chicago. The second in Communion, a Catholic school alumna who has been appointed as vicar by the character of her own life and her contribution to society. (MC Photo.)

**Chain-Novena Prayer Scored**

A new Novena-prayer chain letter found in Sacred Heart Pro-Cathedral news last Sunday was condemned from the pulpit by the Rev. Francis J. Taylor, assistant pastor, as a violation of the First Commandment.

Unlike other chain-letters to be sent through the mail, this "Novena to St. Martha" is to be left in church and a candle is to be lighted "on each Tuesday for nine successive Tuesdays."

FATHER TAYLOR said that this prayer is just another form of superstition and particularly stressed that "no saint can grant anything." The Novena prayer promises that "this miraculous saint grants everything no matter how difficult before termination of 9 Tuesdays."

God never grants favors through the intercession of the saints, the priest said and then only when they are beneficial to the welfare of the soul.

He urged everyone receiving this prayer to tear up the copy and said he was destroying all that has been picked up in the church.

**Abstinence Union Sets Convention**

Philadelphia (NC)—At the invitation of Bishop Thomas E. Molloy of Brooklyn, the 79th annual convention of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of America will be held in Brooklyn August 6 to 8. It has been announced here by the Rev. John W. Keogh, union president. His Eminence Dennis Cardinal Dougherty, Archbishop of Philadelphia, is spiritual director of the union.

Father Keogh announced that Masses will be offered in St. James Pro-Cathedral during the three days of the convention and

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**Silver Jubilee Marked By Priest Who Taught Here**

Very Rev. John A. Flynn, C.M., president of St. John's University in Brooklyn celebrated the silver anniversary of his ordination on April 4.

Father Flynn with two other members of the faculty marking their silver jubilees were guests of honor at the 70th annual dinner given by the St. John's College Alumni Association. His fellow-jubilarians are the Rev. Cyril F. Mayer, C.M., vice president; and the Rev. Edward F. Gillard, C.M., professor of philosophy at St. John's College.

FATHER FLYNN taught at St. Bernard's Seminary, here, from 1933 to 1935. He succeeded the late Rev. Dr. William J. Mahoney, C.M. as president at St. John's in 1947.

The three Vincentian jubilarians were classmates at St. Joseph's College at Princeton, N.J., then at St. Vincent's Seminary, Germantown, from which they were ordained in 1926, and then studied at the Collegia Angelico, Rome, from which they were graduated in 1928.

Later they had simultaneous assignments at Niagara University and all three had been stationed at St. John's for ten years or more.

Father Flynn was one of the principal speakers at the Rochester Diocesan Teachers' Conference at Aquinas Institute in September, 1949.

Corning—Mrs. Lena F. Schroeder, 171 Sly Ave., died Friday, March 30, 1931 in the Robert Packer Hospital, Sayre, Pa. She was born in Corning and was united in marriage with William Schroeder in 1915. She was a member of St. Vincent de Paul's Church.

Besides her husband she is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Robert Mohr of Corning; one son, Donald, who is serving with the U. S. Navy; one sister, Mrs. Malda Keck.

Funeral services were held from the home Tuesday in St. Vincent de Paul's Church. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery.

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**Young People**  
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Serving as maid of honor for the bride was Miss Clara Young, sister of Corning and John Young, also of Corning, who best man for Mr. Miller.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, later Mr. and Mrs. Miller left for their home at Corning.

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