

# Editorials

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## Solis Presbyteris

By the ministry of His Priests, Christ continues the change of bread and wine into His Body and Blood. This is a power reserved by Christ for Priests alone. The keys to receive it were the twelve original Priests of the Church, the twelve Apostles. To them Christ gave this power in the words of "Do this in memory of me." With these words they received immediately the power to change bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ. Christ had just made this change, Christ now commanded them to make this change and give them their priestly power over His Body and Blood.

**Solis Presbyteris** In these two Latin words St. Thomas Aquinas in one of the Corpus Christi hymns specifies where Christ has placed this power. To Priests only, through the Sacrament of Holy Orders the power given to the original twelve Priests-Apostles has been handed down in the Church. In every age, in every country, God has called young men to receive priestly power through the imposition of hands in the Sacrament of Holy Orders. Each year a new generation of Priests takes its place at the altar to offer up the Body and Blood of Christ in the Holy Sacrifice.

**Solis Presbyteris** Faithfully and loyally Catholics continue to show their love and reverence for Jesus Christ by the love and reverence they show to Priests as ministers of Christ and dispensers of His mysteries. To so other men do they give the particular respect and veneration that they show to the Priest.

Mindful of his position and of his power they salute him with the name of "Father." They may have deep regard for all those

who as parents or superiors or as professional men deserve reverence and respect, but only for the Priest do they have that reverence and respect that belongs to one who has been empowered by Christ to continue the Sacrifice of the Cross in His Church. Other priestly powers go with this.

The giving of the other Sacraments, especially the forgiveness of sins, and above all the preaching of the word, round out the complete program appointed by Christ for His Priests.

**Solis Presbyteris** Saturday of this week will find twelve new Priests added to the corps that serve the people of the Diocese of Rochester. Bishop Kearney will impose hands upon them, giving them the Sacrament of Holy Orders. They will come forth from the sanctuary of the Pro-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart bearing in their souls the spiritual mark that belongs only to Priests of Christ. Their hands have been consecrated to touch the Sacred Elements in Holy Mass. They have been clothed with the priestly vestments that they shall wear daily at the altar. Whatever they shall bless shall be blessed; whatsoever they shall consecrate, shall be consecrated; whose sins they shall forgive, shall be forgiven.

**Solis Presbyteris** May the hearts of all of us, clergy and laity, be with Bishop Kearney on next Saturday as he ordains these new Priests. The salvation of many thousands of souls is intimately united to the power and dignity of Priesthood now imparted. May God Bless all these young Priests and help them to realize their responsibility; to them alone as Priests of God is given authority over the Body and Blood of Christ in the Holy Mass. God Bless them in their work.

## Let's We Forget

Memorial Day comes to us each year to remind us of the debt all Americans owe to those who have served their Country in the Army, Navy and Air Force. In the War of Independence, and all the wars that have followed, uncounted thousands have gone down to death; many more have received wounds and injuries that have shortened their lives; still more have survived every battle to return to civilian life and live out their normal

careers. Decoration Day refers to the respect we show them through placing flowers and flags upon their graves. Memorial Day is a more fitting token of the lasting remembrance of their service that receives special emphasis on this holiday. Honor our brave soldiers and sailors and airmen. Imitate their patriotic contributions to their country's welfare. Pray for their souls.

## Sign Up

These days are dedicated to the important work of signing up pupils for our High Schools and Colleges. Registration of boys and girls is taking place in the various High Schools throughout the Diocese. St. John Fisher College is taking its first corps of students. Nazareth College is repeating its registration activities for the 27th time. Signing up! Fortunate indeed are the young men and women whose names are now entered on the roster as candidates for higher education under religious auspices. Our

parents will be grateful to God for the splendid system of religious schools available for the rearing of their sons and daughters. Thoughtful parents are guided in signing up their children, not merely by the very serious obligation that rests on their consciences to secure religious education for their children. They are led much more powerfully by their love for the children and their desire to give them the same outstanding advantages that devoted parents everywhere desire for their sons and daughters.

## Christ Calls All

To overcome sin and its effects Christ came to earth. All of His sufferings, culminating in His death on the Cross, were undergone because of His consuming desire to bring salvation to sinners. For us men and for our salvation, Christ came to earth. To take away our sins He suffered and died. His mercy is for all. He died for all men.

It is not merely the Pharisees and Scribes who would find fault with the extent of Christ's love for sinful man. Too often we find allegedly good Catholics repeating in our day the complaint uttered against Christ by the Scribes and Pharisees. Sinners have been called back to a life of Grace, men who have been far away from God and their way to the altar rail, God's

grace finds some poor soul just in time to prevent its eternal loss. The true follower of Christ finds no cause for wonderment. He knows the will of Christ to save all men is finding a usual fulfillment in salvation of a soul that was lost. There is a real "Thanks be to God" ready for every such return to the Sacraments and above all for the final funeral Mass and burial in consecrated ground of one who had wandered afar.

Christ would have us understand the intensity of His love for sinners. He will not let the death of the sinner but rather that he be converted and live. He is the good Shepherd always mindful of His flock but ready to leave the sheep and go out into the desert to search for the one that has strayed away. He

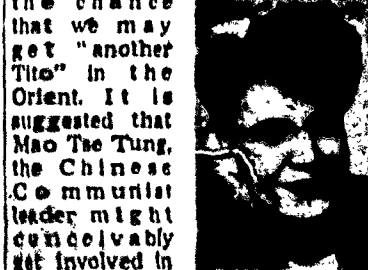


Come unto Me all ye...

## GRETTA PALMER

## Bishop Ready Sounds The Tocsin We've Awaited

It has been hinted in the "liberal" press...



Gretta Palmer... the murdering of priests...

the fact that Communism itself requires the secret police, the concentration camp, the purge, the persecution of the Faith. These things are not mere accidents, or trimmings added onto Marx by the Moscow men...

Evil cannot be weighed and tested by a single question "Are you obedient to Stalin?" The Atheism that lies at the heart of Communism can flourish in any climate and can flourish independent of the Mother Anti-Church. The Trotskyite, through-out the world, hates Stalin heartily and honestly; but he also hates the Church; he also denigrates the human soul, he also is a positive materialist and a dynamic atheist.

## A LOOK AT LABOR

## Social Action Head Honored

By A. C. Tuohy

We oftentimes speak of "men of principle" as if men with principles were just as important as the principles themselves. If the truth is to serve humanity it must be incarnate in men who believe, preach, and practice the truth. While it is unfortunate that many men violate the principles for which they stand, it is worse when men have no principles at all.

Father Raymond McGowan, director of the Social Action Department of the N.C.W.C. was honored this month by the Association of Catholic Trade Unionists as a man who has lived and preached the social teaching of the Church for twenty-five years. In making its annual presentation of the Quinquagesimo Anno Award, the ACTU called Father McGowan "the one priest in this country who has, perhaps, the most comprehensive grasp of both the social problem and its solution in the Papal teachings." This statement is not exaggerated.

LONG BEFORE American Catholics were aware of the social teaching of their Church, Father McGowan worked under the late great Monsignor John A. Ryan to make that social gospel known and accepted by Catholic priests and laity. He has worked these many years in the face of great opposition within and without the Church.

In addition to his multiple writings and numerous lectures all over the country, at least five well known and vital Catholic action groups have achieved existence from his ideas. The presentation was made by another distinguished apostle of Catholic social teaching, Father John P. Monaghan of New York. Father Monaghan, in conjunction

## Bishop Kearney's Appointments

JUNE

- 1 Friday - St. Joseph's, St. Mark's Sodality Mass - 8:00 a.m. Sheraton Hotel, First Friday Luncheon - 12:15 p.m.
- 2 Saturday - Sacred Heart Pro-Cathedral, Priesthood Ordinations - 9:00 a.m. Powers Hotel, First Saturday Luncheon - 12:15 p.m. Nazareth College, Benediction - 3:00 p.m.
- 3 Sunday - Nazareth College, Sacralements Mass - 11:00 a.m. Holy Angels, Nunda - Confirmation - 2:30 p.m. St. Thomas Aquinas, Leicester - Confirmation - 3:45 p.m. St. Raphael's, Fiffard - Confirmation - 4:45 p.m. Holy Trinity Hall, Webster - Sodality Banquet - 7:00 p.m.
- 4 Monday - Sacred Heart Pro-Cathedral, Graduation Exercises of the St. Mary's Hospital Training School - 4:00 p.m.
- 6 Wednesday - Nazareth College, Commencement Exercises - 4:00 p.m.
- 7 Thursday - Academy of the Sacred Heart, Awarding of Prizes - 2:30 p.m. St. Andrew's Seminary Senior Banquet - 7:00 p.m.
- 8 Friday - St. Andrew's Seminary, Sacralements Mass - 9:00 a.m. St. Andrew's Seminary, Commencement Exercises - 3:30 p.m. Blessed Sacrament Church, Boy Scouts Ad Altare Dei Awards - 8:00 p.m.
- 10 Sunday - St. Andrew's Church, Golden Jubilee Mass of the Rt. Rev. Magr. George W. Eckl - 11:00 a.m. St. Joseph's Commercial School, Graduation Exercises - 7:45 p.m.
- 12 Tuesday - George Junior Republic, Dryden - Confirmation - 7:45 p.m.
- 13 Wednesday - St. John's Atoneinent Seminary, Montour Falls - Solemn Pontifical Mass and Graduation Exercises - 10:00 a.m.
- 14 Thursday - Preston High School, New York - Commencement Address.
- 17 Sunday - Sacred Heart Pro-Cathedral, Annual Communion Mass of the St. John Fisher Club - 9:00 a.m. St. Joseph's Church, Silver Jubilee Mass of the Very Rev. James T. Connolly, C.S.B., Rector - 11:30 a.m.
- 21 Thursday - St. Agnes High School, Mass for Graduates - 8:30 a.m. St. Agnes High School Graduation - 8:00 p.m.
- 23 Friday - Our Lady of Mercy High School, Mass for Graduates - 9:00 a.m. St. Joseph's Villa, Graduation Exercises - 4:00 p.m. Our Lady of Mercy High School, Graduation - 8:00 p.m.
- 23 Saturday - Nazareth Academy, Mass for Graduates - 8:30 a.m.
- 24 Sunday - St. Aloyses, Auburn - Golden Jubilee Celebration, Solemn Mass Coram Episcopo - 10:30 a.m. Holy Family High School, Auburn - Graduation - 2:00 p.m. De Sales High School, Geneva - Graduation - 4:30 p.m. Aquinas Institute Graduation - 8:00 p.m.
- 25 Monday - Nazareth Academy Graduation - 8:00 p.m.
- 26 Tuesday - Nazareth Academy Senior Banquet - 6:30 p.m.

## JOSEPH BREIG Same Willow Strength As Christ

I have obtained permission from Father Donald Lynch, editor of The Missionary Servant magazine at Silver Spring, Md., to quote from a letter he wrote to me—the most noble letter I have ever received.



"It makes the tears come to your eyes to see these people go forward to meet the harsh judgments heaped upon them, and we are all sorry for them. BUT THEY are never sorry for themselves, for really they are never weak. They have that same willow strength that Christ had all through the Gospels—yielding, bending, conceding; yes, even falling down under OUR crosses, not their own."

"We need these little martyrs. Let God heal little Paul if He wills, and please God He will, but if He doesn't let it be because He won't; but because most of us with free limbs have enslaved our spirits to them; and He wants someone with ensnaked limbs in order to let the spirit go free. 'Til he remembering Paul in every Mass. But I won't be praying for his physical wholeness. I tell you that beforehand, I'll be praying for HIM, the whole him."

"There's more to him than his power to run around the block or swing up into the tree with the other kids. After all, anybody can get that kind of thrill. A cat can climb a tree better than the spickiest boy, and any dog can go to an office and put in a day's work to build a building, or add a column of figures, or even to patch up the human body with cast and sutures."

"But not just anyone can know Christ the way Paul will know Him. Not just anyone can claim the key to the secret heart of Christ. THIS LITTLE boy is chosen, anointed, sanctified with the chrism of suffering—Christ's own anointing; for Christ, the anointed, sanctified with the chrism. Only we who are suffering from a kind of spiritual ataxism don't see it that way."

"I've heard people say glibly that we need suffering in this world, and say it as a matter of positive persiflage. But I am positively convinced of it. Most of us flinch, the worse for us. But we need suffering nevertheless. 'Generous, selfless holocausts are needed. And God will have them; no matter what we think, or worse, feel about it. He will have them despite us, and for our own good.'"

Amend Bus Bill Jefferson City, Mo. - (RNS) A bill in the Missouri state House of Representatives for state payments for transportation of students to school was amended to include pupils at tuition-free parochial schools.

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