

### Groups Pay Tribute to Sister Dostie's Rites

Funeral rites for Sister M. Dostie O'Connor of the Sisters of St. Joseph, who died in St. Joseph's Hospital, Elmira, Sept. 7, 1951, were held at Nazareth Convent and at the cemetery through which the funeral procession passed.

At the grave, the last blessing was given by Father Gelfi, assisted by Father Ladd, Father Crowley, Father Ryan, Father Albert H. Ryan, Father Moore, and Father Mulachy.

Born in Geneva, Sister Dostie entered the Sisters of St. Joseph in 1908. The following year she was assigned to Nazareth Academy where she taught for 13 years. When St. Ambrose School opened in 1922, Sister Dostie was named principal, holding that position for 16 years. After six years as principal of St. Anthony School, Auburn, she returned to Rochester, first as teacher in the Immaculate Conception School and then in Our Lady of Lourdes School.

Sister Dostie is survived by one brother, Patrick J. O'Connor of Rochester, and a sister, Mary O'Connor of Geneva, also one niece, Margaret O'Connor of Rochester.

### Pro Ecclesia



Very Rev. Richard H. Ackerman, C.S.P., of Pittsburgh, Pa., Vice-President of the Superior Council of the Pontifical Association for the Holy Childhood and National Director of its American Branch, who has been awarded the Cross "Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice," this high Papal Honor was bestowed on the occasion of his 25th anniversary of ordination to the priesthood and in recognition of his efforts in behalf of the Pontifical Mission-School Society, of which he has been national head since 1916.

### Her Sorrows and Yours

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A splash of golden sunlight ushered in our Lady's Birthday after a week of fog, clouds and rain. White flowers for a wedding were borrowed in our thinking during the early

Mass as a tribute to her day. This is her Birthday. Nine months after the Feast of the Immaculate Conception—which is also on the eighth of December, of course, and at the beginning of the Liturgical year.

What Birthday gifts did you present to your spiritual Mother? There is so much that you could give with so little effort—so much that would bring joy to her Immaculate Heart. Those extra Rosaries for Peace, a few

special visits to her Divine Son in His lonely tabernacle Home and perhaps, even daily Mass and frequent Holy Communion. Grateful smiles greeted your offering; tempered with a pleading for other gifts, the little ones, that are not easy. The kind words, when impatient phrases surge to your lips; the extra tasks at home or at business, which really belong to someone else and that hospital visit to a lonely old lady, who has but few visitors.

THE MOMENTS for the Rosary and the half hour for Mass are not always managed without inconvenience. But bridling an eager tongue, forgetting weariness as you gaily face a new assignment or hurrying away from your easy chair to do an errand of mercy; all those special presents can require a stupendous amount of human and spiritual courage.

A week of Feast Days for the Queen herself with the twelfth observed as her Name Day. An other opportunity to reiterate the flattering promises made on her Birthday and the chance to add here and there, a gift, for gotten or withheld because the "flesh was weak."

THE PROPER of the Mass voicing your petitions more effectively than you could ever do it yourself: "Oh God, grant we beseech thee, that whoever calls upon the sweet name of Mary, may feel the unfailing help of her blessing—I am the Mother of knowledge and of holy hope—in me is all grace of the way and of life." Promises, golden and soul-satisfying, such as only a spiritual but human Mother could make and fulfill.

The octave of her natal day and this is a day when a Mother's Sorrows seven in number, are especially marked by Holy Mother Church. Sorrows such as no other heart has ever known, before which we would rebel and cry out: "No, dear God, no!" Sorrows for the Mother of the God Man, sorrows that only an Immaculate Heart could bear.

How little we know of Sorrow what strangers we are to pain. A cross, regardless of how small, rests heavily on our shoulders, as our lips tremble a "Why should it be I?" Only great souls and they are so few, accept sorrow as she did, with head held high, and with eyes tearless but still peaceful.

SORROW, in our language, often means anything that is contrary to our wishes. A harsh word from a loved one, a forgotten anniversary, a certainty that people have a spite against us. Life would be so different, it would be so easy to have peace and leave others in peace. If we took in good part all the words and actions of others.

Yes, she was the Mother of God—and you do not think your self so singularly blessed you wonder how you can find peace and happiness in these troubled times. You even question, what she would have done in your place? Look to your Mother of Sorrows, and find in her the answer you seek. Note that an increase of sorrow does not remove a single trace of her tranquility—that she who so well knew pain, looks up and sees only Jesus.

Would you of whom her Son has asked so little, do less than the Mother of Sorrows?

### Bishop Will Preside At Youth Holy Hour

His Excellency Bishop Kearney will preside at the next Catholic Youth Hour, Sunday, Sept. 16, in St. Peter and Paul's Church from 7 to 8 p. m., according to the Rev. J. Joseph O'Connell in charge.

Highschoolers are asked to bring a friend attending a public high school. Group singing of hymns and recitation of prayers will be featured.

### Holy Year Buses Resume With 11,576 Mark Standing

With 11,576 already carried by bus on Holy Year pilgrimages the Rochester Transit Corporation this week announced resumption of pilgrimage service through December 31.

To aid parish groups or societies in making the pilgrimages to gain the Holy Year indulgences, the RTC is providing charter bus service from one location to the four pilgrimage churches every evening as well as Sunday afternoon and return. Visits to the Pro-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, St. Joseph's, Old St. Mary's and Our Lady of Victory Churches are required to gain the Holy Year indulgence.

ST. AMBROSE LEADS Rochester area parishes with 827 pilgrims while the Pro-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart is second with 770; Holy Cross, third with 740 and Holy Family fourth with 716. Other parishes and their pilgrimages totals follow: Blessed Sacrament, 693; St. John the Evangelist, 510; St. Michael's, 477; Our Lady of Perpetual Help, 470; St. Francis of Assisi, 402; St. Bridget's, 400; St. Andrew's, 397; Immaculate Conception, 350; St. Charles, 335; Holy Rosary, 332; St. Anthony's, 277; St. Peter and Paul's, 265; Our Lady of Sorrows, 263; Corpus Christi, 227; St. Theodore's, 225; St. Helen's, 220; St. Joseph's, 200; St. Patrick's, 200; St. Jerome's, East Rochester, 233; Holy Redeemer, 228; St. Thomas, 196; St. Anne's, 182; Mount Carmel, 150; St. Philip Neri, 130; St. Augustine's, 128; Our Lady of Victory, 91; St. Stanislaus, 91; Holy Trinity, 83; St. Monica's, 80; Our Lady of Lourdes, 60; Precious Blood, 40; St. Mary's, Ontario, 44; Old St. Mary's, 40; Nazareth Academy, 40; Nazareth College, 39; St. Mary's Hospital nurses, 29. University of Rochester, 20.

### St. John Fisher Club To Hear Fr. Connell

St. John Fisher Club of Sacred Heart Pro-Cathedral will hold their first dinner meeting of the season Thursday, Sept. 20, at 6:45 p. m. in the school hall.

The Rev. Dr. Maynard Connell, rector of St. Andrew's Seminary, will be the guest speaker. A program of entertainment has been planned by Monte Gosselin and Mary Gosselin, membership chairman, will welcome and inform guests of club activities.

Plans for the Communion breakfast to be held Sunday, Sept. 23, following 9 o'clock Mass, will be announced by Joseph Moynihan, president. Secretary Alice Alvers has requested that reservations for the dinner be made not later than Monday, Sept. 14.

### First Clambake Set By Knights of Equity

First Annual Clambake of Court Rochester, Knights of Equity will be held at Valley Echo, Sunday, Sept. 23 at 4 p. m., according to Sir Knight Fiere O'Connell.

He has appointed Joseph McMahon, chairman, with William Seabill, Frank Dalton, Christopher A. Delanty, Michael Ryan, Thomas Davis, William Morrissey and John Eiting assisted. Wives and friends of the knights will also attend.

### PRELATE-CABINET MEMBERS

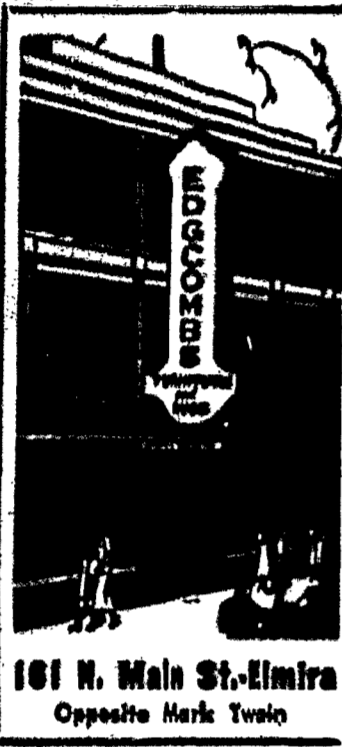


Here Secretary of Labor Maurice Tobin chats with the Very Rev. Vincent J. Flynn, president of St. Thomas College, St. Paul, Minn. (left), and Bishop William McCarthy of Rapid City, S.D. Bishop McCarthy was Secretary Tobin's parish priest in Boston several years ago. Mr. Tobin addressed the 8th annual congress of the National Federation of Catholic College Students held on the St. Thomas college campus. (NC Photos)

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