

# Parish Marks 50 Years Under Same Pastor

Blessed Sacrament parish, Rochester, celebrated its golden jubilee Sunday and at the same time the golden jubilee as pastor of the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Thomas F. Connors, founder of the parish.

At a Solemn High Mass of Thanksgiving presided over by His Excellency Bishop Kearney, Monsignor Connors was celebrated with more than 1,000 assembled in the church.

The Bishop of Rochester preached the sermon and stressed the spiritual benefits to thousands of persons during the half century of the parish's existence.

"THE REAL HISTORY of Blessed Sacrament parish is the Real Presence of Jesus Christ on its altar for the past 50 years," the Bishop said. "We are thankful that God has spared for continued service the personality of a great priest, the founder of this parish, who has led a life of example in teaching the principles of the Church."

The ordinary was referring to Monsignor Connors who founded the parish in 1901 and is still active as pastor.

Father Connors has preached the same doctrine for 50 years—the same doctrine that Jesus Christ gave his Apostles. The Bishop continued: "That is why we have today a sense of gratitude of thanksgiving of confidence for the Church that carries us back to the cradle of Jerusalem to the Cross of Christ, to the feet of Christ and His sermon on the mount."

In 50 years of preaching from the Blessed Sacrament pulpit, the prelate emphasized, there has been no lashing out with the bigoted tongue which has become the unfortunate curse of our age. There has been no intolerance, nor modification such as is advanced by the prophets of modernism who attack the traditional teachings of the faith. We have heard only the truths of God one standard of values, with no concessions to our modern age.

THE BISHOP congratulated the parish on the material progress of the parish during the 50 years in which church properties have grown to an estimated million dollar value.

Two of his 32 boys who entered the priesthood assisted Monsignor Connors in the Mass. Deacon was the Rev. Walter J. Kohl and Subdeacon, the Rev. William J. Devereaux. Chaplain to the Bishop were the Rev. J. Emmett Murphy and the Rev. John A. Ridginton. The Rev. Dr. John E. Maney was master of ceremonies for the Bishop and the Rev. Louis J. Hohman, master of ceremonies in the Mass.

Music was under the direction of Raymond J. Hasenauer of Aquinas Institute. A newly formed members of the Rochester Fourth Degree Assembly served as an honor guard.

A GOLDEN JUBILEE dinner for clergy and religious was held following the Mass. Bishop Kearney and Monsignor Connors spoke on the occasion as did the Rev. Msgr. William M. Hart, P. A. V. G. The Very Rev. Maynard A. Connel, pastor of St. Andrew's Seminary, a lay member of the parish, and long associated with the parish in helping with the weekly school holidays of the St. Joseph's school, presided at the dinner. The Rev. Thomas J. Maney was toastmaster.

Monsignor Connors celebrated a Mass for deceased members of the parish at St. Michael's and for priests and nuns from the parish of T. J. Walsh.

The golden jubilee dinner for participants was served at the Thursday Night in Honor of St. Andrew's Auditorium and an estimated 700 were expected.

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## Blood Donors From Ithaca K. of C.



LEADING THE Ithaca Knights of Columbus representation in the Ithaca Interfraternal Council record breaking donation drive were the above officers: (from left) Lawrence Flynn, treasurer; Herbert F. Spencer, grand knight; T. J. Walsh, inside guard; Francis Egan, past grand knight; George Kieeman, past grand knight; Russell T. Fenton, deputy grand knight; and not present for photo: Matthew Heron, past grand knight and Peter Flech, chancellor. Tompkins Photo.

## KC Join Blood Donation Drive Of Ithaca Groups

Ithaca Members of Ithaca Council, Knights of Columbus were fourth in the blood donation drive sponsored by Ithaca Interfraternal Council of which they led in a record breaking contribution of 152 pints.

The donation was the largest since Tompkins County became part of the Syracuse Regional Blood Bank in February, 1950. The Ithaca Knights among 13 organizations in the Interfraternal Council had 11 members report for donations.

OFFICERS participating were Grand Knight Herbert F. Spencer, Deputy Grand Knight Russell T. Fenton, Chancellor Peter Flech, Treasurer Lawrence Flynn, Inside Guard T. J. Walsh and Past Grand Knight Francis Egan. George Kieeman and Matt Heron.

It was a fine job of planning done by the Interfraternal Council. Mrs. James N. Kelly, Red Cross blood donation chairman said it was a good job of planning and had to be rejected this time.

The blood donations were sent directly to Korea.

## Day's Devotion, Memorial Mass Set For Elmira KC

A Day of Reflection and a Memorial Mass for members who have died during the past year will be held on Sunday by Elmira Council, Knights of Columbus.

GRAND KNIGHT Joseph H. Berrigan will head the delegation of Council officers who will attend the Memorial Mass to be held at 7:30 a. m. in St. Mary's church. Members will attend their respective parish churches and receive Holy Communion with the various Holy Name Society groups.

The Rev. Januarius Martinelli, S. A. of St. John's Ateneum Seminary, will conduct the Day of Reflection services starting at 1 o'clock in Columbus Center.

Members who have died during the past year are Daniel Sheehan Sr., the first Grand Knight of the Council; Patrick H. Mack, a Charter member; Dennis J. McCarthy, James F. Mulholland and William P. McDonald. Frank A. Belgotti, Chancellor, will be in charge of arrangements and will be assisted by Cornelius J. Sullivan and John T. Rhode.

A buffet supper will be served at the conclusion of the day's exercises.

## Area Ukrainian Youth Units Plan For N.Y. Meeting

The Ukrainian Catholic Youth League will hold its thirteenth annual convention at the Hotel Statler, New York City, Thanksgiving weekend, Nov. 22 through 25. An attendance of 1500 UCYL members is anticipated.

The permanent constitution of the UCYL will be ratified and resolutions of religious and civic importance will be adopted by the assembled group. Pontifical High Mass will be celebrated by His Excellency Bishop Ambrose Seynabyn at St. George's Ukrainian Catholic Church.

There will be a Communion Breakfast at the Hotel Statler and a Grand Banquet and Ball at the Statler's Sky Top.

THE LEAGUE is an organization of young men and women of the Byzantine Slavonic Rite of the Roman Catholic Church whose aim is to make youth conscious of its moral and social obligations.

Member chapters of the Central New York Council from Rochester, Syracuse, Binghamton, Auburn, Elmira Heights and Sayre Pa. entertain as hosts of the Council at the monthly meetings.

# Bishop Appoints Dr. Maney To Conduct Pilgrimage To Spain

His Excellency Bishop Kearney named the Rev. Dr. John E. Maney, the Bishop's Secretary, to lead the Rochester Diocesan Pilgrimage to the International Eucharistic Congress scheduled May 27 to June 1, 1952, in Barcelona, Spain.

The Rochester pilgrims will sail on the American Export Lines SS Saturnia on May 17, arriving at Lisbon, Portugal, on May 25.

Announcing the pilgrimage, the Bishop issued the following statement:

"The diocesan pilgrimage to the International Eucharistic Congress has, in my opinion, been well planned and offers prospect for a most enjoyable experience.

"With highlights of Rome, Lourdes, and Barcelona the trip covers a most interesting route and combines most inspiring religious experiences with attractive travel plans.

"The pilgrimage will be led by Dr. Maney, whose years of study on the continent have made the points of interest familiar ground for him. Anyone and everyone interested in a trip abroad will find the pilgrimage a most enjoyable way of making the journey."

A one-day pilgrimage will be made to the Immaculate Heart of Mary Shrine at Fatima on arrival in Lisbon. The party will return to Lisbon to leave for Barcelona arriving in the Congress City on May 26.

The daily program for the six days of the Congress follows:

May 27—Inauguration of the Congress. Solemn reception of His Eminence the Cardinal Legate.

May 28—Dedicated to the Holy Eucharist, Personal and Family.

May 29 Day dedicated to the Holy Eucharist and Social Peace.

May 30 Day dedicated to the Holy Eucharist and International Peace.

May 31 Day dedicated to the Holy Eucharist, the Peace and Unity of the Church.

General Communion for men and a General Communion at night.

June 1 The Closing Ceremonies of the Congress. Solemn Pontifical High Mass at which His Eminence the Cardinal Legate will officiate. Sermon, Profession of the Blessed Sacrament, Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament given by His Eminence the Cardinal Legate. Message broadcast by His Holiness the Pope.

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## Clergy Transfers In Southern Tier



NAMED BY His Excellency Bishop Kearney to new charges, this week are the above (from left) Rev. James C. Lane to St. Patrick's, Nazareth; Rev. Thomas J. Flanagan to Holy Cross Church, Ovid; and Rev. John E. Maney to St. Peter and Paul's, Elmira (Story on Page 1).

## Father Turner Tells Coming DCCW Of Lourdes

Coming — The Rev. Francis Turner, pastor of St. Catherine's Church, Addison, was guest speaker at the November "First Saturday" luncheon held at the Baron Steuben Hotel by Corning Deanery, National Council of Catholic Women.

Introduced by the Rev. Daniel V. Hogan, assistant pastor of St. Vincent de Paul's Church, who is moderator of the organization, Father Turner told of his trip through France and Italy early this year where he visited many of the famous Catholic shrines.

REFERRING to the Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes in Southern France, which especially impressed him, Father Turner said, "The lesson to be learned from Lourdes is not so much from those who have been cured there but rather from the countless pilgrims whose afflictions have not been healed and whose prayers seemingly have not been answered but who return home with a peace of mind and patiently resign themselves to the will of God."

The shrine, Father Turner said, which is visited annually by people of all faiths, has a record of many miraculous cures. He estimated that eight or nine thousand persons were there at the time of his visit.

Mrs. Madeline Stenger was general chairman for the Saturday event. She was assisted by Mesdames Norman Murray, John Brady, Edith Griffin, James Ward and Miss Mary Hart. A special shrine to Our Lady was arranged by Mrs. Ward. Miss Barbara Wilcox served as accompanist.

The next luncheon is scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 8, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception and will be in charge of the women of St. Vincent de Paul's Church.

## Group To Seek Renewals To Aid Dominican Nuns

A meeting of the laymen's advisory committee for the Dominican Monastery of the Perpetual Robary was held last Sunday under the direction of Harry J. Lagomastro, local area chairman.

Plans were completed for this group to make personal solicitation on renewals for the annual affiliation in order to help defray the cost of the addition being constructed at this time.

THE PRESENT addition to the Dominican Monastery of the Perpetual Robary will be inadequate to accommodate those desirous of entering the Order, thus necessitating the erection of the new addition at a much higher cost than had been anticipated.

Chairman Lagomastro has expressed the wish that all people in the Elmira area renew their annual affiliation at the time their cars are called upon by one of the workers at it possible send in the renewal card direct to the Monastery.

## Sister Veronica Funeral Services Held At Nazareth

Funeral services for Sister M. Veronica DeVaney of the Sisters of Saint Joseph, who died at Nazareth Convent, Pittsford, Friday, Nov. 2, 1951 were conducted Monday morning, Nov. 5.

The Solemn Mass of Requiem was celebrated in Holy Family Chapel of Nazareth Convent by Rev. John E. O'Beirne. He was assisted by Rev. Roy B. Morphy, Deacon, Rev. Lawrence M. Ward, Subdeacon, Rev. Joseph H. Gettel, Master of Ceremonies. Also present in the sanctuary were Rt. Rev. Magn. William H. McPadden, V.F. Rev. E. Joseph Lauer, and Rev. Louis Johnson.

Nephews of Sister Veronica were pallbearers: Charles W. DeVaney, George N. Fulton, John Coursey and Gerald Coursey. Robert Donohue and Humphrey Donohue. At the grave the last blessing was given by Father Gettel.

Born in Geneva, Sister Veronica entered the Sisters of Saint Joseph from that city in 1903. Her assignments in the schools of Rochester included Holy Apostles, St. Patrick's Girls' Home and Corpus Christi. She likewise taught in St. Patrick's School, Corning, and in Mount Morris. In 1938, she was assigned to St. Patrick's School, Seneca Falls, where she remained for 8 years, which time she retired to Nazareth Convent.

Surviving are a brother, William DeVaney of Geneva, and several nieces and nephews.



DOCTOR MANEY

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## Bishop To Mark 14th Year As Shepherd Of Diocese

Fourteen years as Bishop of Rochester will be marked by His Excellency Bishop Kearney on Sunday, Nov. 11, Armistice Day. The former Bishop of Salt Lake City was installed Ordinary of the Rochester diocese on Nov. 1, 1937 in Sacred Heart Pro-Cathedral.

Accolized by a vast throng on arrival in Rochester on Nov. 10, the Bishop has endeared himself to that many and throngs more during his leadership of the diocese.

NEW CHURCHES, new schools, religious orders for men and women new in the diocese all are recorded in Bishop Kearney's reign.

In civic affairs the present Bishop of Rochester is highly regarded and his counsel and support sought in projects for the betterment of the various communities in the diocesan area.

Appointed a Bishop on July 4, 1937, Bishop Kearney will be marking the 20th anniversary of his elevation, next year.

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**Dome Of Buenos Aires Church Falls**

Buenos Aires — (RNS) Nine persons were killed and 21 injured when the dome of a Roman Catholic church here collapsed during Sunday Mass. The tragedy occurred in the church of San Juan Evangelista, located in a workers residential district.

Father Alfonso Tavani had just finished preaching his sermon when he observed the stone ceiling begin to bulge inward. He requested the congregation to leave as quietly as possible. However, the surprised worshippers had only begun to leave the pews when about 249 square yards of the ceiling crashed down.

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**Forty Hours**

Devotions of the Forty Hours will be conducted in the following churches of the Diocese of Rochester:

Friday, Nov. 9 - Nazareth  
Sunday, Nov. 11 - Our Lady of Victory, Rochester; St. Bernard, Elmira; Holy Spirit, Albion.

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