

GOD LOVE YOU!

By MOST REV. FULTON J. SHEEN

SEE sorrow in the eyes of your brothers in Asia, cast a beam of comfort to them and like a mirror, they will reflect God's blessing back to you. . . Nuns recently expelled by the Communists from Manchuria have suffered from the Japanese occupation in the 30's, the Russian occupation following World War II and now the Chinese Communist terror. Asked which army was the most to be feared, they all agreed, "The Russians; for these soldiers have been taught sacrifice as a patriotic duty for the past 30 years." The spiritual life of America has picked up through this column. Our Catholics are beginning to make more sacrifices which unites them with the Cross of Our Dear Lord. It is not only the Holy Father's Missions that are being aided; the general tone of the faithful is improving. . . Extract of a letter from India to our desk: "I have 24 villages under my care. In these villages there are 4100 converts. But there are only 3 chapels built with brick. All the rest are mud chapels with mud walls and bamboo roofs covered with leaves of palmyra trees."

Our Blessed Mother is the advent of Christ. She brings Our Lord to people before the people are yet ready for the Church as she brought Our Lord to Elizabeth and John before Our Lord was born. . . Japan has a population of 3000 per square mile of arable land. If some of those starving people asked our farmers for one bushel of corn, they would give it gladly. Why not make the equivalent of that sacrifice on the Holy Father's Missions can help them? . . . Do you know why yellow was chosen for Asia in the World Mission Rosary? An explanation is given with each rosary which will send blessed by us if you request it and send a \$3 offering. . . In 2 years the Communists in China killed 15,670,000 people; this does not include an estimate of 20,000,000 who died of starvation or who committed suicide.

GOD LOVE YOU to the following who made sacrifices for the Holy Father's Missions: to L. M. and her two sisters for \$10 sacrificed by giving up a steak dinner and settling for salad; to Mrs. H. S. for \$18.75, the first day pay earned at a corn canning factory; to Mrs. James A. F. for \$20 netted from the sale of two pupas; to Mrs. S. R. A. for \$5 saved by putting aside a dime a day; to Mrs. J. B. J. whose husband asked her what she wanted for an anniversary present and whose answer was, a day's salary (\$15) for the Holy Father's Missions; to J. D. and her card party for sending the prize money (\$10); to Mrs. S. R. who is giving piano lessons to earn money for the Holy Father's Missions (\$17.25); to Mrs. C. F. who washes venetian blinds to help the Holy Father's Missions with \$1.10; to Mr. and Mrs. P. K. who sent the first salary raise of \$7; to Miss P. who sold some bonds and enriched the Holy Father's Missions with \$1,000. . . GOD LOVE YOU to the hundreds whose names we cannot fit into this column, but whose names are written in the Kingdom of Heaven.

There is something you can sacrifice to save souls and feed bodies in other parts of the world. Maybe give up cigarettes, or cocktails, or another packie, or a dessert, a lunch or eat into your capital and savings. If you give up something for the Holy Father's Missions, you will never miss it in your joy of helping our neighbor to love Our Lord and His Blessed Mother. Just cut this column, pin your sacrifice to it and send it to the Most Rev. Fulton J. Sheen, National Director of The Society for the Propagation of the Faith, 100 E. 38th St., New York 17, New York, or your Diocesan Director, Very Rev. Msgr. John S. Randall, 58 Chestnut Street, Rochester, New York.

All Youth Club To Hold Dance

All Youth Club of Gates elected Robert Schickler president and planned a Valentine Dance on Friday, Feb. 15, at its last meeting. The Valentine Dance will be held from 9 to 12 on Feb. 15 with the Blue Mountain Boys furnishing music for dancing and Bob Cassidy calling the square sets. The club is invited to patronize this first project to increase the treasury of the newly formed social service center, Father Geiger Hall.

Requiem Offered For Sr. Ernestine At Motherhouse

Funeral services for Sister M. Ernestine Reilly of the Congregation of the Sisters of Saint Joseph, who died Tuesday, Jan. 22, 1952 were held on Friday morning, Jan. 25 at Nazareth Convent, Pittsford. Solemn Mass of Requiem was celebrated by the Rev. Joseph Natale, assisted by the Rev. Roy B. Morphy, Deacon, the Rev. Robert H. Fennessy, Sub-deacon, the Rev. Edward J. Lintz, Master of Ceremonies, the Rev. Joseph E. Gaffey, Thurler, the Rev. John E. Crowley and the Rev. Albert J. Shannon, Analytes. Also present in the sanctuary were the Rev. Louis W. Edelman and the Rev. E. Joseph Esser. At the grave the last blessing was given by Father Gaffey, assisted by Father Crowley.

A native of Geneva, Sister Ernestine entered the Sisters of Saint Joseph in 1882. She served as housekeeper in several convents in the diocese, including Peran Van, Seneca Falls, Brockport, Elmira, and Geneva. Before her retirement to Nazareth Convent in 1938, she lived for many years at St. Aloysius Convent, Auburn. Surviving are one brother, Jeremiah J. Reilly of Geneva, and several nieces and nephews.

Card Party Set At Holy Apostles

A card party to raise funds for the decoration of Holy Apostles Parish Hall will be held in the school Hall, Austin St. at Lyle Ave. on Wednesday, Feb. 13 at 8 p.m. Mrs. Lewis Korth is chairman with Mrs. George Barry, co-chairman. Assisting are: Table Prizes, Mrs. George Paul, Mrs. Michael Cavalier, Mrs. Ray Schur, Mrs. Charles LaVerde, Mrs. Michael Palumbo, Mrs. Lewis Slyck. Cards and Talies, Mrs. William Wachter and Mrs. William Heininger. Candy, Mrs. George Bocci and Mrs. Edmund Kuder. Tickets, Marshal Smith, George Barry, John Cleary, Miss Mae Brown, Miss Mildred Magin and committees.

Archconfraternity Lists Fr. Winecki

The monthly conference of the Archconfraternity of the Holy Family of St. Joseph's Church will be held Sunday, Feb. 3. The members will attend 7:30 Mass in St. Joseph's Church and receive corporate Communion. Breakfast will be served in the school hall followed by a conference by the Rev. Joseph Winecki, C.S.S.R., spiritual director of the Society. Posters for the February breakfast will be Catherine M. Ferris, edited by Louise Carroll, Marjorie Irwin, Lucy Meyer and Teresa Troit.

Honored On 25 Years As Organist



GERALD CONROY, (right), who has completed 25 years as organist at St. Mary's Church, Auburn, is shown being congratulated on his record of service to the church by the Rev. Msgr. William E. Cowen (left), pastor at a party in Mr. Conroy's honor in Hotel Osborne. Carroll J. Caffrey, was toastmaster.

Tributes Paid To Gerald Conroy On 25 Year Service

Auburn — Gerald T. Conroy's outstanding work for the church, his faithfulness and loyalty during the past 25 years were emphasized by the Rev. Msgr. William E. Cowen, pastor, at a testimonial dinner for the church's organist on Jan. 22. The dinner marking the organist's 25th anniversary at St. Mary's Church was held at the Osborne Hotel.

TRIBUTE TO Conroy's spirit of cooperation during the years he was associated with him in St. Mary's parish was paid by the Rev. Francis B. Burns of St. Bernard's Seminary, Rochester. Carroll J. Caffrey was toastmaster. Guests included the priests of the parish, former assistant pastors, members of St. Mary's Choir, the trustees, auditors and ushers of the church, and officers of parish societies.

Conroy joined St. Mary's Church as organist on Dec. 26, 1926, when the late Rev. John J. McGrath was pastor. During the 25 years he has served as church organist and as teacher of music in St. Mary's School. Entertainment was presented by the choir members accompanied by Mrs. John Orr. Solos were by Mrs. Leonard Sathre, Mrs. John Gannon, John Cunningham, Miss Kathleen Heron and Anthony Conroy. Dinner music was furnished by Paul T. Scollan and Miss Margaret Gaynor was song leader. Members of the committee in charge of the testimonial dinner were Frank J. Letch, Paul W. Myers, John Orr, Fred L. Armstrong, Thomas Campbell, Miss Margaret Gaynor, Miss Mary Dunn, Mrs. Herbert Haue and Mrs. Howard St. Denis.

Day of Recollection Listed For Women in Auburn Area

Auburn — The Auburn Deanery Council, Diocesan Council of Catholic Women, is sponsoring a Day of Recollection to be held Saturday, March 8, and is inviting all Catholic women of Auburn and surrounding towns to take part.

The program for the day, which will be conducted by the Rev. Kieran J. Hickey, O. Carm., moderator of the local N.C.C.W., will be as follows: 9:00—Holy Mass, Opening Conference, Whitefriars, Carmelite Monastery. 10:00 — Breakfast, Catholic Daughters, 14 South St. 10:45—Conference. 11:45—Rosary and Litany, etc. 12:15—Lunch. 1:30—Conference. 3:00—Conference. 4:00—Closing Conference and Benediction, Whitefriars, Carmelite Monastery. Reservations are limited to 40 persons. Miss Catherine Ryan and Mrs. Thomas Tierney are in charge of reservations and are asking that they be made early.

St. Jerome CWV Unit Slates Ham Supper

Tickets for a Pre-Lenten Ham Supper to be sponsored by C.W.V. Auxiliary of St. Jerome's Church, to be held in the C.W.V. Hall, East Rochester, Sunday, Feb. 24, at 5 p.m., are now on sale. The supper is under the chairmanship of Christine Beauchamp who promises an enjoyable event. Tickets may be had from any member of the Auxiliary. In Rochester, call CUVER 3148-3. Adults \$1.50 plate, children 12 years and under \$.75 are prices quoted.

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