

## Throne of the Bishop A Call To Duty Pioneer in Schools Leaders Get Ready

By MONSIGNOR HART

### Sacred Heart Cathedral

The year 1952 will go down in history as most important in the history of the Diocese of Rochester. On petition of Bishop Kearney, Pope Pius XII has designated the Church of the Sacred Heart as the Cathedral Church of the Diocese.

There the Bishop shall preside in a Church that contains the Episcopal Throne and that belongs not only to the local parish but to all the parishes in the Diocese.

These young men shall be ordained for all the churches; there the holy oils shall be consecrated on Holy Thursday for all the parishes and all the people of the Diocese. There shall be carried out other ecclesiastical rights whose dignity and importance call for the solemnities of Cathedral surroundings.

Surely Bishop Kearney gave expression to his appreciation of the artistic quality of a truly Catholic edifice, of the dignity of the Bishop's office, of the happy interpretation of the highest ideals in Cathedral architecture that have found expression in the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart.

With the passing of the historic St. Patrick's Cathedral it became necessary to choose a church edifice that would be a worthy successor. Bishop McQuaid began his work in Rochester by elevating St. Patrick's to the dignity of a Cathedral Church. Bishop Kearney marks his Fifteenth Anniversary as Bishop of Rochester by securing from the Holy Father the designation of the Church of the Sacred Heart as his Cathedral and the Cathedral of the Diocese.

Beauty in proportion, high artistic skill in the designing and direction of our new Cathedral, will be a joy to Bishop and people for the years ahead. Stately columns and the perfection of masonry arising, stone upon stone, into the blue and culminating in twin towers pointing to the heavens and directing our thoughts to God, make up the exterior of the edifice.

All the poetry of color brings God's own sunshine through a series of gloriously colored windows to make glad the heart of every worshiper. The sanctuary crowns the structure with the historic old altar of marble that was bought from the old Cathedral.

Within the sanctuary, a beautiful creation in wood carving, is the throne of the Bishop. The Bishop's Coat of Arms are reproduced in the upper part of the baldachin with his motto: IN TE DOMINE SPERAVI. In Thee O Lord have I hoped.

The Diocese of Rochester is blessed in this happy year of 1952 in the designation of Church of the Sacred Heart as its Cathedral Church.

May it be a reminder to Bishop, Priests and people of the mystic edifice within their souls of faith and hope and love within the Church of God that are so beautifully symbolized by the lines and color and symmetry of a beautiful building that shall be consecrated with pomp and ceremony to the sublime destiny it is to serve as the Cathedral Church of the Diocese of Rochester.

### Special Gifts

The Special Gifts Committee of the Bishop Kearney Jubilee High School Fund is now hard at work. Men of prominence in every part of the Diocese have been called upon to contact a selected list of Catholics where position and influence and income would seem to mark them as prospective donors of larger amounts than are asked of the ordinary Catholic.

Our Catholic men and women will consider it an honor to be approached by the Special Gifts Committee. They will consider it likewise a call to duty. Where God has blessed us with a more generous income than our brethren we will naturally expect to respond in a special way to a call such as this. It is accepted civilly and religiously that of those who have received more, more should be expected.

It is especially heartening at this time to acknowledge gratefully industrial gifts from three sources — Eastman Kodak Co. with \$85,000; Bausch & Lomb with \$9,000; and Tobin Packing Co. with \$20,000. Other industrial donations will soon be recorded.

Elmira Special Gifts Committee has already reported \$47,886.00.

All this will be an encouragement to prospective donors who are not in the special gifts class. God bless the work our splendid committees are now carrying on.

### The Bishop McQuaid High School

Our local committee, with Bishop Kearney and with the cooperation of the Jesuit Fathers, have decided to name the new high school for boys in Rochester after Bishop McQuaid. The choice is a significant one.

Bishop McQuaid was a pioneer in our country in the parochial school movement. He came here from Seton Hall College as a distinguished educator. He planned from the first to include a parochial school in the building up of every parish. St. Andrew's Seminary was one of his first projects and the long laid plans for St. Bernard's Seminary saw their fruition in 1908 in the opening of this Theological School. Nazareth Academy is included among the educational institutions that he founded.

The dedication of the McQuaid High School for boys does honor to a gifted leader in the Church's program of education and does honor likewise to all who by their gifts and their labors bring into being this new unit in our Catholic Educational System. May the spirit of Bishop McQuaid brood over us as we follow in his footsteps.

### Ready To Go

The full activity of the drive for funds in the Bishop Kearney Jubilee High School Campaign is still a few days away but the preliminary work is calling for the attention of a great band of leaders in Rochester, Elmira, Auburn and Geneva.

Meetings of leaders are being held, pledge forms have been prepared and the name of every prospective giver in each parish has been entered on a card. There will be a personal approach to every parishioner and we look to the generous response of every prospect to enable the workers to secure a total that will meet the need, that will equal or exceed the goal that has been set.

As you pray for the success of this most necessary drive, please also pray that your generosity will help you to do your part in helping this eminently Catholic cause.

## JOSEPH BREIG

### Peace For The Doing

For the 'steenth time, Pope Pius XII has reminded us that if we really want peace, we can have it.

Even in our terrible times, Christendom, if united and brave and active, is strong enough to build a new world.

The first task is to protect what we have — to hold back the Communist barbarians.

Therefore the Holy Father approves of preparedness — of defenses against atheist military aggression.

The occasion chosen by the Pope for his new condemnation of pacifism strikes me as especially significant.

He was speaking to the delegates of Pax Christi.

Pax Christi — "The Peace of Christ" — is a worldwide crusade of prayer for peace.

But the Holy Father made plain that prayer alone is not enough. Prayer must emerge in Christian thinking and Christian living.

THAT MEANS ACTION for justice and charity — action emanating from a soul properly disposed, and an intellect judging rightly.

Therefore, to these men and women who pray for peace — as what right-thinking person does not? — Pope Pius said:

"Those who, although peaceful, are attacked, have both the right and duty to defend themselves. No state or group of states may quietly accept political slavery and economic rule. The must assure the common defense of the common good of their peoples."

At this point, it seems to me, the Holy Father is asking the pacifists to make a sacrifice for peace. It is a sacrifice most difficult for some admirable people to make.

The Pope is asking the pacifists to sacrifice their personal opinion because it is in error, and to accept instead on of the truths which the Holy See has repeatedly stressed.

That truth was set forth long ago by St. Thomas Aquinas. He said that although the Christian soul hates violence and is disposed to turn the other cheek, nevertheless the Christian sometimes has the duty of using force to put down unjust attack — for his own good, for society's good, and for the good even of the aggressor.

Are the pacifists prepared to sacrifice their error? Will they face the fact that a Christian warrior's defense of justice is a prayer most acceptable to God?

THERE ARE OTHERS from whom the Pope asks sacrifices. He says we must stop nursing past grievances against this nation or that. We can all search our hearts to see whether any such rancors lurk there.

Give them up, says the Pope. Only thus can we create the atmosphere in which a firm peace is possible. There must be no blaming of present generations for sins of their fathers.

Of course it is. It is as absurd and cruel as hating a son because his father did us an injustice. It is a place of the ignorance and ungodliness of a Kentucky mountain feud.

The Holy Father invites us to stop being petty, mean, suspicious and resentful. He invites us instead to be big with the big-mindedness and the big-heartedness of the children of God.

Are we willing to sacrifice our smallness? Are we willing to give up the sour and sinful luxury of being hateful, and instead be love-filled and trustful?

FINALLY, THE HOLY Father reminds us of the strength and power of the Church to those who strive for the unity of Europe, which is the heart of the unity of Christendom.

From his position as spiritual father, he stretched forth his hands to all nations and begged them to see themselves for what they are — members of the family of nations, all brothers under the Fatherhood of God.

That way lies peace. In that union lies the strength that can preserve Christendom, and put down the atheist aggressors, and restore the world. Are we manly enough and womanly enough to walk that way?

## The Children's Hour



### The Apostles' Creed

## 'I Believe...'

By Rev. Albert J. Shamon

(This is the fifth of a series of articles on "The Apostles' Creed" by Father Albert Shamon, professor at St. Andrew's Seminary and author of "Behind The Mass.")

I BELIEVE—What a wonderful thing to be able to say! In the mouth of a Christian, "I believe" is an act of faith. It is an act of faith which makes the Christian faithful. Here is why.

In the first place, a man cannot lead a good life unless he knows what a good life is. Should he try to find this out for himself, the longest life would not be long enough. Nor would the greatest mind be great enough. Did not the greatest minds of antiquity unequal to the task? Socrates, Plato and Aristotle?

Neither time nor learning uncovered for man the truth about life. Man had to be told the truth. Somebody had to teach him. Who is the Truth? That somebody was Christ. "I am the Truth," He said. And the truth is the way to life.

AFTER CHRIST CAME, THEREFORE, the most elementary school child could know more about life than the most astute of pagan philosophers did before Christ came. Why? Because of Faith. The child can say: "I believe." I believe whatever the Son of God has spoken. Because I believe, I know there is one God. I know this God rewards the good, punishes the evil.

Because I believe, I know there is another life. I know this other life is so desirable that it draws more strongly to good than this earthly life does to evil. In a word, I know the truths of life because "I believe." In this sense, the first man (the man who does JUST what he is supposed to do) lives by Faith (by what he believes).

In the second place, a man cannot lead a good life unless he can overcome the triple threat to it—the world, the flesh and the devil. The world tempts man in prosperity and in adversity. When he is up and when he is down. Success can go to his head and misfortune to his heart. Like Dives, success can make man forget his God. Like the dying thief, crosses can make him blasphemous and rail against his God.

THEN THERE IS THE FLESH. Siren-like, it offers man a dream, a breath, a froth of fleeting joy. It would lure him to momentary pleasures. "Taste and see how sweet," it coaxes. "You shall be as gods . . ." Many listen to its sweet song. And in consequence many are swept to their destruction. Lastly, there is the devil. Always he is offering kingdoms IF . . . If falling down we adore HIM! "All these will I give you IF . . ."

Because I believe, I can say to the world: "Keep your tiny tinsel toys, I am seeking an El Dorado, the eternal happiness of heaven. Your crosses are nothing. Gladly I bear them to avoid the crucifixion of hell!" Because I believe, I can say to the urgings of the flesh: "Be quiet! Who buys a minute's mirth to wait a week? Or sells eternity to get a toy? For one sweet grape who will the vine destroy?" And to the devil, because I believe, I can say: "Begone, Satan! The Lord thy God shall thou worship and Him only shalt thou serve."

Thus Faith is the victory that conquers the world. Faith is the shield that repels the fiery darts of the flesh. Faith is the resistance that succeeds against our adversary, the devil, who goes about as a roaring lion seeking whom he may devour. Faith is "I believe." Lastly, when one says, "I believe," God is pleased. "Without it it is impossible to please God." You see, Adam and Eve lost Paradise because they did not take God's word about good and evil. Instead they gave ear to the devil. To regain the Paradise lost, therefore, God demanded that man reverse his ways. He must take God at His word. He must believe. Only he, "who believes and is baptized shall be saved."

IN 1919 GOVERNOR ALFRED SMITH was looking for a warden for Sing Sing Prison. The difficulty of the job made it undesirable. Many tried it; none made it. Finally Governor Smith called Lewis E. Lawes. Lawes was determined to decline the position. A meeting was arranged.

"How about going up to Sing Sing and take charge?" was the Governor's greeting. "They need a man with experience." Lawes tried to wriggle out of the job. Smith listened patiently. Then with a twinkle in his eye, "Young fellow, he drawled, "It's all right with me. It's a tough spot. I don't blame you for being scared. It will take a big man to go up there and stay. I believe you can."

That did it. Smith's challenge to Lawes and his confidence, and belief in him gave the young penologist the confidence he needed to become one of Sing Sing's most famous wardens. Similarly, "I believe" is a vote of confidence in God. It will win for us the graces to live up to our belief. If we do not live up to our "credo," then we are not sincere. If we are not sincere, then we are hypocritical. If we are hypocritical, then we are vicious. Our lives are not good. We do not please God.

Like the troubled father of the Gospel story, therefore, our daily prayer should be: "I believe, Lord, I believe. Help thou my unbelief. Sustain my tottering faith. Make me live according to my belief."

### Vatican Paper Hits

Rome — (RNS) — The Vatican weekly paper *Osservatore Della Domenica* strongly criticized a British physiologist who proposed that India be deprived of products like DDT and penicillin in a move to reduce the birth rate.

Describing the suggestion as "return to barbarism," the paper declared that to find similar logic one must return to the time of the Indian population.

## Sharing Our Treasure

"I'll Lend a Hand"

By

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Miss Laura V. Aman was riding on a bus in Cincinnati one Sunday morning, sharing a seat with a colored woman. Knowing that there are no Jim Crow laws in the kingdom of God, Miss Aman engaged the lady in conversation.

"I'm on my way," said the colored woman, an Mrs. Boyle, "to teach Sunday school at the Cresap Avenue Mission. I wish I had someone to help me as I'm not too well trained."

"I've TAUGHT school for a number of years," remarked Miss Aman, "and I'd be glad to lend you a hand. I'm a Catholic and I can explain to the members of your class the teachings of Christ as preserved by His Church just as they came from His sacred lips."

"That will be wonderful!" joyously exclaimed Mrs. Boyle. "It will be a treat not only for the children but also for me and the other teachers. The fact that you are willing to give your time to teach us colored people shows how free you are from prejudice and how eager you are to share your own spiritual treasure with us."

"I would not be a true Catholic if I did not try to show that the Catholic Church means the universal Church, the Church founded by Christ for all nations . . . for people of every color. We have Negro bishops and priests as well as Chinese, Japanese and Indian."

THAT SUNDAY morning the youngsters had a new teacher who held them spellbound as she told them the wonderful story of God-loving His children so much that He sent His own divine Son to suffer and die for them. The fruits of the Redemption, she explained, were still being channeled to souls by the Catholic Church which He founded and which He authorized to teach in His name.

"Does the Catholic Church go all the way back to the time of Our Lord?" asked a youngster in surprise.

"YES, CHRIST appointed Peter the chief of the Apostles and the rock upon which He built His Church. He was the first pope and his successor in an unbroken line down to the present pontiff, Pius XII, have continued to govern the Church and to direct her in her mission of teaching all nations 'all things whatsoever I have taught you.'"

"Yes, the Catholic Church is the Church of all peoples, tribes and nations. Like her divine Founder, she is no respecter of persons, no discriminator against people because of differences of complexion. She loves the colored people and welcomes them not only into her churches but also into her schools, seminaries, convents and monasteries."

Thus did Miss Aman bravely, courteously, and graciously proclaim Christ's teachings to the pupils as well as to the Sunday school teachers at the Cresap Avenue Colored Mission. Her companion on the bus that Sunday is now an ardent Catholic and several others from that Mission have followed in her footsteps.

MISS AMAN is not content to teach merely at the Cresap Mission. She goes out to the County Home and also there she visits the elderly and the sick and explains to them the beautiful truths of the Catholic Faith. She teaches them many of its comforting and inspiring prayers. During the past five years she has made more than 500 contacts with churchless people, averaging at least two a week. She is tireless in distributing pamphlets and prayer cards.

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## Decree

### OF ERECTION OF SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL BY THE SACRED CONSISTORIAL CONGREGATION

Whereas His Excellency, the Most Reverend James Edward Kearney, Bishop of Rochester, has petitioned that the Church dedicated to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus in the city of Rochester be elevated to the dignity of the Cathedral Church both because of its artistic merits and its suitability for holding the sacred pontifical functions:

### OUR MOST HOLY FATHER, PIUS XII, BY DIVINE PROVIDENCE, POPE,

having received the favorable recommendation of His Excellency, the Most Reverend Amleto Giovanni Cicognani, Titular Archbishop of Laodicea in Phrygia and Apostolic Delegate to the United States of America, with the counsel of the undersigned Cardinal Secretary of the Sacred Consistorial Congregation, and after mature deliberation has graciously granted this petition, and he has decreed that the aforesaid church dedicated to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus be elevated to the dignity of the Cathedral Church of the Diocese of Rochester with all the rights and privileges which belong to Cathedral Churches according to law and he has ordered the Episcopal Throne to be set up in the same Church according to the norm of liturgical laws.

For the execution of this present decree, Our Most Holy Father has graciously delegated His Excellency, the same Most Reverend Amleto Giovanni Cicognani, granting him all necessary and opportune faculties, even of sub-delegating another ecclesiastical dignitary, with the responsibility however, of transmitting to this Sacred Consistorial Congregation as soon as possible the authentic document of the execution of this decree.

Wherefore His Holiness has ordered this present Consistorial Decree to be published and to be binding, therefore, just as if an Apostolic Brief had been sent under the Apostolic Seal.

All things to the contrary notwithstanding, even though they be worthy of special mention.

Given at Rome from the Sacred Consistorial Palace on the 21st day of June of the Year of Our Lord 1952.

H. Adeodatus John Cardinal Piazza

Bishop of Sabina and Poggio Mireto

Secretary

Joseph Ferreto

Assessor

### What's This?

## Girls, Are The Men Pushing You Around? Here's Your Chance

Washington — (NC) — Girls, do you feel you've been pushed around by the American men? A missionary just back from East Pakistan has pointed to an avenue of escape.

The Rev. Alfred Neff, Holy Cross missionary, called attention to it when he spoke of the matriarchal system prevailing among the Garo tribes in Assam, India, and Bengal, East Pakistan.

FATHER NEFF, a missionary in the area for 12 years, has been recalled to the United States by his superiors to serve as head of the Holy Cross Foreign Mission Seminary, here.

Among the Garo tribes only the women can own property, Father Neff related. When a Garo man marries he leaves his mother's house and enters his wife's. He himself can own no property. All that he earns goes to the wife.

If the newly-married husband should resent his yoke and "run home to mother," Father Neff continued, he cannot return to his wife's house unless the wife comes to call for him. The children receive the mother's surname, not the father's, the priest said. The family possessions are passed on to the daughters. The sons get nothing. The men don't even get the opportunity to propose to the girl they will marry. Marriages are arranged by relatives.

FATHER NEFF noted that the matriarchal system has not worked out to the satisfaction of the missionaries. But it is such a deeply rooted system that the missionaries have not done much to change it.

Father Neff said that he never dared to quote to the Garos St. Paul's letter to the Corinthians which states that "the head of the woman is the man" and that "man was not created for woman, but woman for man."

One of the difficulties the missionaries have experienced under the system is that parents have no interest in educating their boys, only their girls, Father Neff related. They feel that an education would be wasted on a boy because they will lose him when he marries. He will then be working for his wife or the wife's family.

Father Neff once asked a young native boy, he related, whether his parents would object to his becoming a priest. "No," the youth replied. "They will lose me anyway."

10,000 March

New Orleans — (NC) — Ten thousand men from 73 parishes marched 23 blocks and passed in review before Archbishop Joseph F. Rummel of New Orleans, here, as the highlight of a three-day celebration of the prelate's 50th ordination anniversary.

Seminary Dedication. His Eminence Edward Cardinal Collegeville, Minn. — (NC) — Mooney, Archbishop of Detroit, officiated at the solemn blessing of the new St. John's Seminary in British Columbia.