

Joyous Christmas Music Set For Elmira Midnight Mass

Works of the master composers of liturgical music will be sung to herald the Nativity of the Savior in churches in the Elmira deanery at Midnight Mass and again on Christmas Day.

Programs for the choirs now in rehearsal for the Christmas services as submitted by the pastors, follow:

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

ELMIRA
 Rt. Rev. Msgr. William J. Brien, V.F., Pastor
 A Solemn High Mass will be celebrated Christmas Eve in St. Patrick's Church, Elmira with the Rt. Rev. Msgr. William J. Brien, V.F., officiating.

At 11 p.m. carols will be sung by the vested boys' choir over the church amplifier. The carols will include: "Noel," "Angels We Have Heard on High," "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear," "O Little Town of Bethlehem," "Christmas Words" and "Jesu Redemptor."

A procession of the priests will go down the center aisle preceded by young girls. One girl representing the Blessed Mother will carry the image of the Infant. Accompanying her will be children dressed as angels. They will go to the crib where the image will be taken by the priest and placed in the manger.

The Mass at midnight will be sung by the two choirs as follows:

Introll—Dominus dixit... Gregorian
 Boy's Choir
 Kyrie and Gloria—Mass in Honor of St. Joan of Arc... Gruber

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Adult Choir	Graduale—Tezum Principium	Rossini
Boy's Choir	Credo III	17th Century
Male Voices	Offertory—Laetentur Coeli	Rossini
Boy's Choir	Supplementary Offertory—Adeste Fidelis	Novella
Adult Choir	Sanctus, Benedictus, Agnus Dei	Mass in Honor of St. Joan of Arc
Adult Choir	Communion—In Splendoribus	Rossini
Choir Members	Members of the Adult Choir	are: Mrs. Matthew Fennell, Mrs. Francis Mockler, Mrs. Edward Silvey, Mrs. Thomas Gaffey, Mrs. Maxton Burke, Mrs. Bolton Terwilliger, Mrs. Bertha McLoughlin, Miss Julia Cairn.
Joseph P. O'Neill, George F. Givens, Francis Mockler, J. Henry Brown, Jack Nelson, Bolton Terwilliger, Joseph P. Lynch.	Directress of the Boy's Choir is Sister Mary Cecilia and the organist is Mrs. Frances F. Lynch.	

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, ELMIRA

Rev. Thomas J. Toole, Pastor
 Midnight Mass will be preceded by a group of Christmas carols sung by St. Mary's Caroleers. The program for the Mass which will be sung by the Boy's Choir, is as follows:

Organ Processional	Introll—Dominus dixit ad me	Gregorian
Kyrie (Missa Tertis)	Gloria IX	Haller
Gradual—Tezum principium	Alleluia	Gregorian
Credo IV	Offertory—Laetentur coeli	Gregorian
Supplementary Offertory—Adeste fidelis		arr. Vernon
Sanctus	Benedictus	Haller
Agnus Dei	Communion—In splendoribus	Gregorian
Recessional—Angels We Have Heard on High		arr. Vernon

The organist is Miss Loreta Ryan.

Members of the choir include: Michael Keefe, Louis Mares, Edward Moore, James Schaefer, Thomas Stapleton, Walter Wainwright, Stephen Clark, Francis Lutz, Richard Mann, Eugene

ST. ANTHONY'S CHURCH, ELMIRA

Rev. Albert L. Simonetti, Pastor
 A program of Christmas will

Mesuch, Richard Malahan, Bruce Turner.
 John Batolis, William Blume, Michael Carey, Larry Elford, Thomas Hope, William Kent, Russell Kessing, Willis Larrabee, Robert Moran, Christopher Pulford, Clarence Bercher, Thomas Callahan, Michael Delaney, Albert Finch, James Mann, Patrick Sheehy, Lloyd Smith, Gerald Strong, Robert Kent, James Chimileski, William Chimileski, Emil Krazinsky, William Murchough, James Brusso.

At 11 a.m. the Mass of the Day will be sung by St. Mary's Girls' Choir and preceded by a group of carols. The program for the Mass is as follows:

Processional—Silent Night	arr. Vernon
Introll—Puer natus est	Gregorian
Kyrie (Mass of the Shepherds)	Yon
Gloria in excelsis Deo II	Gregorian
Gradual—Viderunt omnes	Recto tono
Alleluia	Gregorian
Credo I	Gregorian
Offertory—Tui sunt coeli	arr. Krekel

Supplementary Offertory—Adeste fidelis... Carturan
 Benedictus... Yon
 Agnus Dei
 Communion—Viderunt omnes
 Gregorian
 Recessional—Let Our Gladness Know—No End... arr. Martin
 The organist is Miss Loreta Ryan.

Members of the choir include: Mary Catherine Silva, Victoria Mazzaroc, Carol Lee, Laurene Volker, Carol Coleman, Margaret Mary DeZaney, Josmie Lemoncelli, Ann Sheehy, Bonnie Brochi, Sherrill Brochi, Frances Mazzaroc, Mary Ellen Moore, Rita Mulvan, Loretta Sheehy, Eileen Sullivan, Jacqueline Crippen, Patricia Frisk, Rosanne Golden, Rose Ann Hassen.

Miriam Hee, Michele Heisey, Kathleen Hewitt, Barbara Leonardelli, Rita Mubalyk, Kathleen O'Brien, Rossie Paggioli, Christina Peterson, Mary Lou Raplee, Sharon Sernick, Rita Sonko, Barbara Tanaka, Nink Gronowski, Kathleen Moran, Kathleen Reidy, Marcia Lee Seelye, Gail Smith, Joan Spanyee, Mary Jo Strappie, Anna Sykora, Christine Genaras, Patricia Whitney.

Sister Thomas Marie is director.

Members of the choir include: Michael Keefe, Louis Mares, Edward Moore, James Schaefer, Thomas Stapleton, Walter Wainwright, Stephen Clark, Francis Lutz, Richard Mann, Eugene

Hospital Dolls For Arctic League



SOME OF THE 244 Arctic League dolls dressed for distribution at Christmas are admired by student nurse Rosemary Cardillo. The dolls were dressed by graduate and student nurses, mothers of nurses, doctors' wives, school teachers and other friends of the hospital. Distribution and collection is again capably handled by Sister Ellen Teresa, a medical floor supervisor, in St. Joseph's Hospital, Elmira.

Ladies Of Charity Unit To Fete Child Patients

The Infant of Prague committee of the Ladies of Charity, Elmira, will hold their annual Christmas party for the children patients of St. Joseph's Hospital on Sunday afternoon from 3 until 5.

The CHILDREN'S choir of St. Peter and Paul's church will assist the group in entertaining the kiddies with several selections of Christmas carols. Santa Claus will be on hand to distribute gifts to the little patients.

Miss Marion Orlousky and Mrs. Margaret Bellido, cochairmen, are being aided by Mrs. Joseph Bannon, Mrs. Joseph Caparulo, Mrs. Anthony Rossi, Miss Ann Foody, Miss Ann Korzik and Miss Helen Caney.

Bless Babies At Novena

The Rev. Albert L. Simonetti, pastor of St. Anthony's church, Elmira, announced that a special ceremony will be held today at 3 o'clock for the blessing of infants and children of pre-school age.

This is being held in conjunction with the Novena to the Infant of Prague now conducted at the Shrine of St. Anthony.

The Rev. Enrico Fantele, C.S.S.R., will officiate at the blessing of the children. Expectant Mothers will also be blessed at this ceremony.

High School Group Sets 'Date Dance'

High School students of St. Patrick's parish, Elmira, will sponsor a "Date Dance" to be held in Columbus Center on Monday evening Dec. 29.

Music will be furnished by Duane Spencer's group and dancing will be from 8:30 p.m. until midnight.

Parents and friends of the students will act as chaperons.

Poland Celebrates 'Meatless Feast'

Polish housewives are busily engaged on Christmas Eve preparing the "meatless feast" which consists of five to eleven dishes and is served when the first star appears in the sky.

After he has asked the blessing, the head of the family shares the Christmas wafer—optalek, symbol of brotherly love—with all the family, beginning with the eldest and concluding with the youngest.

How Religion Suffers In Yugoslavia Told By Cornell Graduate

Confirming by first hand experience, the stories of persecution and repression of religion in Yugoslavia was a letter received by the Very Rev. Msgr. Donald H. Cleary, Catholic Chaplain at Cornell University from a Cornell graduate in that country.

The letter writer had to disguise his own name and in addressing the chaplain had to use a civilian slant with "professor" instead of "reverend" in addressing Monsignor Cleary to avoid censorship.

The Cornell alumnus cited incidents in Yugoslavia in detail because as he said: "The tragedy, the falsity, the double-dealing, the bitterness and perversion, the egoism and selfishness and the inhumanity of Communism have moved me to write."

"I HAVE SEEN and lived the life of a totalitarian society where freedom is absent, curtailed, and perverted," he wrote. "I am fully aware as I have never been before, of the value and need of freedom."

Not alone is religious freedom suffering in Yugoslavia, the Cornell graduate reported.

"Political, social and economic freedom is equally lacking. I could write about certain horrible and unbelievable war-time massacres. I have documented and material evidence." "I could tell about prisons and forced labor camps filled with intellectuals, independent peasants, and freedom-seeking workers. I could tell about the inequalities existing among party members and non-party members."

"I COULD TELL about the immorality, the corruption and seduction of the minds of men, women and children. But the whole agonizing, tragically and horrible nightmare is too unbelievable and too much for one used to life and ways of a free society."

"I never realized before what freedom actually is and what it really means to the individual. I used to take freedom as something for granted and about which one speaks in abstract or for political campaigning and oratory."

Reporting on persecution of religion in Yugoslavia, the writer repeated as an eye-witness, accounts which have had counterparts in columns of the Catholic Courier Journal.

In a general manner, he said, peasants and workers are permitted to travel in buses or other public vehicles to church for Mass, baptisms, or weddings, in the rural areas, buses do not run at all on Sundays, and if they must they travel away from or far from churches or parishes with a priest or a Mass.

PERMISSION MUST be obtained every month to ring church bells, he said. The permission then stipulates how many minutes and how many bells may or may not be rung for certain days and hours; thus one minute is allowed for 7 a.m.; 2 minutes for 7:30 a.m.; and 3 minutes for 8 a.m. (Continued on Page 2A.)



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