

### Daughters Of Erin Schedule Mother-Daughter Breakfast

First Mothers and Daughters Annual Communion and Breakfast of The Daughters of Erin, will be held Sunday, March 8.

Mass will be held at Our Lady of Victory Church, Pleasant St. at 8:30 a.m. Breakfast will be immediately afterwards at "Antonino's", on Elm St.

Miss Lucy Sheehan, from "The Catholic Speakers Bureau", will be principal speaker, according to Mrs. James Kane, Chairman, and Mrs. William Morrissey, Co-Chairman.

The following committee will assist: Mrs. Norbert McCarthy, Mrs. Andrew Hickey, Mrs. A. Hart, Mrs. Thomas Davis, Mrs. Michael Ryan, and Mrs. Fiere O'Connell.

For reservations call Mrs. Thomas Davis, Glen. 6845-R. Friends are cordially invited. The regular monthly meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Arthur Hart, 46 Doran St.

### Funeral Mass Sermon

#### Father John Lynch

(This is the text of the sermon delivered by the Rev. T. Paul Murley at the Funeral Mass for Father John F. Lynch in St. Charles Borromeo Church, Rochester, Wednesday, February 18, 1953.)

"Father, I will that where I am, they also whom thou hast given me may be with me—in order that they may behold my glory." (John 17, 24)

When the day of ordination dawns, the priest-to-be enters a new world. He remains a man, frail with man's faults, but his work is no longer man's but God's. He needs more than his own powers and talents and virtues.

Indeed, he must now rely more and more on the strength of the Master, Jesus Christ, Whom he pledges to serve all the days of his life.

That ordination day sees him becoming a priest forever, through the imposition of the Bishop's hands and the gifts of the Holy Spirit. On his neck is placed the stole, the symbol of the yoke of Christ, whose yoke is sweet and whose burden is light.

HIS HANDS are anointed with holy oils that, from that day on, he may bless, consecrate and sanctify. Entrusted to him is the chalice of benediction, and with the power to offer sacrifice for the living and for the dead.

He is clothed in the alb, the white robe of innocence, that he may walk in the path of priestly chastity. Upon him is laid the chasuble of charity that, with words of mercy and compassion, he may heal the sores of humanity and bestow a pardon, not given to angels to confer.

So prepared the priest steps into his new world. Imperfect and inexperienced though he is, he is now, in the eyes of all, another Christ. As Christ did, he is to spend himself in doing the will of his Father in heaven. He is to be all things to all men.

THE WONDER and glory of his ordination day become the immensity of his task. But he is not alone. In the spirit of St. Paul, he can truly say, "I will glory in my infirmities, that the strength of Christ may dwell in me."

When a priest builds himself around the Christ whom he is to present to the world, then he knows that his calling is a privilege and an obligation.

He realizes the privilege of the priesthood, as realized by every priest, is to act for Christ and with Christ. It is to see faith take roots as the waters of Baptism flow from his hands. That privilege bears fruit in the knowledge and love of God as they develop from the priest's teaching and his leading of the little ones to the altar rail.

WHEN THOSE in his care have fallen and are bruised by sin, it belongs to his priestly power to lift and heal them in Confession. The priest as God's ambassador is there to unite man, and woman in the bond of marriage, and to bless and encourage their future. And when God sends His angel to lower the curtain of death, it is the privilege of the priest to console with the last anointing and to fortify the soul with the Viaticum of the Body and Blood of Christ.

These things God brings about through His priests. They end never. The faith and knowledge and love, the pardons and blessings, reach into the soul of man, not only transforming him but all with whom he comes in contact.

Many are the days and long the time before the seed of the priest's work will fully grow and blossom. This is the privilege of God's priesthood.

THE SHARING of the priesthood of Christ brings, moreover, an obligation. For the priest presents to the world not only the Christ of the Sacraments and the Christ of the Eucharist but also the Christ of Calvary.

Christ told His first priests: "No servant is greater than his master. If they have persecuted Me, they will persecute you also." The obligation of the priest to be another Christ brings him, at times, real persecution, even to martyrdom. But, always, it brings him added persecution

### GOD LOVE YOU!

By MOST REV. FULTON J. SHEEN

THE missionaries who come to America after release from the torture of Chinese prisons are disappointed in our apathy to Communism. Perhaps our moderation is disturbing to those who have been to the eleventh hour of life, but we feel sure that as there was a potential for sacrifice in China which burst through the surface of tepidity when the Church was attacked, so the same potential exists here, particularly among our young.

But there is a sense in which the judgment of the missionaries ought to enkindle in us that fire which the Saviour came on earth to cast. The plain fact is: the Communists have no light of truth but they have the heat of love. We have the light, but no heat. Truth and love were meant to go together.

In China many of the older generation have been made indifferent to the tragedy. But the young between the ages of 9 and 25 are passionate disciples of the new barbarism. Each day throughout that country of 450,000,000 people the young after they have had an indoctrination course of several months gather in a field or a hall where there hangs a picture of Mao-tse-tung or Stalin. Raising their clenched fists in the air they take an oath that they will work 24 hours a day for Communism, but eat only two meals a day and not wear shoes or stockings, do never wear good clothes until the day of their death. Out they go "breathing threateningly against the Lord"; at every door they knock, enter and spend as much as 6 hours talking, preaching Communism, answering objections until the household has become sympathetic to Communism or else its rabid followers.

Such fanaticism the world has hardly seen since the early days of the Church when the pagans were so astonished by the zeal of the faithful that in amazement they said, "How they love!" Now it is the faithful who must say of the Communists, "How they hate!"

Catholics of America awake!!! Spread your faith! Make little sacrifices that you may reveal that your Master is the Christ with scars. Waste not the little you have in projects that are so far away from the salvation of soul and the glory of God. Make an act of faith by sending your sacrifice to the Holy Father that he may aid the missionaries everywhere in the world. He knows where the needs are greatest, not you or we. His own Pontifical Society for the Missions is The Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

GOD LOVE YOU to the fifth grade at S.G.S. "Three months ago a boy in our class suggested having a Mission Box. We heard about your God Love You column and decided to send out mission money to you. Each day we appoint a Bishop Sheen in our class to say 'God Love You' to anyone who contributes to the Missions. We hope this \$3 will help someone in need of it." GOD LOVE YOU to P. & S. K. for \$5. "This is a thanksgiving offer for all blessings, and especially that we escaped the Communist tyranny." GOD LOVE YOU to A.M.M. "My aunt gave me \$10 which I could use well to buy a new dress, but I want to send it to the Missions to help clothe those who need it more." GOD LOVE YOU to C.M.H. "This \$10 was put aside to be used for some little extravagance that would please my fancy. I feel that by sending it to you for the Holy Father's Missions it will do more good."

The rainbow is the symbol of hope. All the colors of the rainbow appear on the World Mission Rosary which was designed out of our hope that generous souls would pray for the 6 continents on the 5 different color decades of this Rosary. At your request and a \$2 offering to the Missions, we will send you a World Mission rosary blessed by me.

Cut out this column, pin your sacrifice to it and mail it to the Most Reverend Fulton J. Sheen, National Director of The Society for the Propagation of the Faith, 109 East 38th Street, New York 16, New York, or your Diocesan Director, Very Rev. Magr. John S. Randall, 58 Chestnut Street, Rochester, New York.

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### Action League Lists Films Of Congress

Auburn—The Catholic Action League of St. Alphonse Church will meet Thursday, Feb. 26, in the school auditorium. Miss Marjorie Berry, vice-president, will conduct the meeting in the absence of the president, Mrs. Louise W. Mezma.

Mrs. Thomas Long and Miss Edna Long are in charge of the evening's program during which the group will see pictures of Europe taken by the Rev. Robert A. Meng during his Eucharistic Congress Pilgrimage of 1952.

### Delegate Dedicates Naval Chapel



Bethesda, Md.—Archbishop Amleto Giovanni Cicognani, Apostolic Delegate to the U. S., delivers a sermon after dedicating a new Catholic chapel at the national Naval medical center here. Among those present at the unusual dedication were the commandant and high ranking officers of the Naval hospital and chaplaincy, including Rear Admiral E. B. Harp, Jr., the new chief of Navy chaplains. The choir of Holy Cross College, Washington, D. C., provided music for the service. (Religious News Service Photo.)

### Final Rites Held For Samuel Spain

Auburn—Funeral services for Samuel Spain were conducted Monday, Feb. 16 at the family home, 22 Sheridan Street by the Rev. Frederick G. Straub, pastor of St. Alphonse Church.

A solemn high Mass of requiem was sung in St. Alphonse Church by the Rev. Robert A. Meng, assisted by the Rev. Andrew W. Truschel as deacon and the Rev. Joseph Gaynor as sub-deacon. The Rev. Joseph Bestini, the Rev. Charles McCarthy and Father Straub were in the sanctuary.

Mr. Spain, 56, World War I veteran, husband of Josephine Martino Spain died Thursday, Feb. 12, 1953 in Mercy Hospital, Auburn, after a month's illness.

Born in Italy, he had resided for the past 43 years in Auburn. For 18 years he was employed as an agent for the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. and later Street. Recently he had been employed by Marshall and Stewart, Inc.

Mr. Spain was a communicant of St. Alphonse Church, a member of Calmeri Legion Post, also the Roman Mutual and Athletic Club of which for many years he was a director and past president.

Surviving him besides his widow are one son, Ronald Spain of Auburn one daughter, Mrs. Robert Lowery, Auburn; four sisters, Mrs. Peter Petrosino, Mrs. Peter Volpe and Mrs. James Catalano, all of Auburn and Mrs. Daniel Cucinello of Italy; one brother, Anthony Spagnola of Auburn; two grandsons; several nieces and nephews.

A son, Raymond C. Spain, St. Bernard's Seminary cleric, died October 3, 1952.

The funeral procession passed at Memorial City Hall while the Old Wheeler bell tolled in respect to the memory of the deceased veteran. Burial was in the family plot in St. Joseph's Cemetery where the committal service was conducted by Father Straub and Father Truschel.

### Father John Lynch Requiem Offered

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Masey and the Rev. Francis M. Feney were Masters of Ceremonies.

The choir, under the direction of Rev. Charles J. McCarthy, included: the Reverend Fathers L. James Callan, Edward A. Zimmer, Richard C. O'Connell, Leonard P. Kujawski, James R. Cosgrove, John S. Whalen, Edward E. Steinkirchner, Emmet Halloran, William S. White, Thomas J. Fiorax and Richard Torney.

Burial was in the priests' plot at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

PRESENT in the sanctuary at the Funeral Mass were: the Right Reverend Monsignors William M. Hart, V.G., J. F. Goggin, Louis W. Edelman, Charles F. Shay, Wilfred T. Craugh, Michael J. Krieg, John M. Duffy, Charles J. Mahoney, Maynard A. Connell, George W. Eckl.

The Very Reverend Monsignors John S. Randall, Dennis W. Hickey, James D. Cuffney and Donald Cleary.

Also the Reverend Fathers Michael J. Tydings, Leo V. Smith, Leo J. Matuzewski, John M. Merikanger, William J. Naughton, William M. Hart, John Leary, E. Leo Mannus, Matthew Siudara, W. Oscar Regan, C.S.B., Frank J. Hoefen, Edward J. McAniff.

THE REVEREND Fathers Edward J. Waters, George C. Vogt, John F. Woloch, Arthur E. Ratiagan, Francis J. Taylor, Arthur F. Florack, Paul G. Wohlrab, James F. Doyle, Robert J. Fox, Albert J. Geiger, John L. Maxwell, John Laetare Sunday, March 15.

P. O'Meara, C.S.B., Frank J. Pegnam.

The Reverend Fathers Edward P. Callens, SS.CC., Edward J. Foy, John S. Hayes, John E. Roach, Eugene H. McFarland, Bernard V. Kuchman, Daniel V. Hogan, Henry Atwell, Anthony F. Callmeri, Richard J. Orlando, J. C. Newcomb, Elmer A. McNamara.

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The Reverend Fathers Dominic Moeckevicius, George J. Schmitt, Gerald E. Dunn, Raymond M. Wuest, Donald J. Murphy, Patrick J. Grace, Elmer J. McDonald, Joseph T. Gaynor, John Walsh, John P. O'Malley, Daniel J. McCarthy, W. Darcy Bolger, Robert A. Dobbertin, Michael P. O'Brien.

The Reverend Fathers Walter E. Fleming, John A. Morgan, Roy B. Murphy, Thomas F. McVeigh, John F. Duffy, John Hodges, Francis E. Hester, Matthew A. Tobin, C.S.S.R., John A. Reddington, Francis H. Vogt, Joseph W. Dalley, Edward A. Shamon, Thomas K. Cleary.

The Reverend Fathers Vincent E. LeFrois, Robert L. Kress, Daniel O'Rourke, E. W. Heindl, Charles A. Bennett, Paul J. Lynch, Michael Hogan, Albert H. Schnackey, B. C. Newcomb, Beecher Sullivan, Joseph K. Noid, Syracuse, N. Y., Lawrence Ward, Charles Langworthy.

### Abp. Mitty Urges War Victims Aid

San Francisco, Calif. —(NC) — "The helping hand is not luxury," Archbishop John J. Mitty told a meeting during which plans were mapped for the 1953 Bishops' Fund for Victims of War campaign in this archdiocese. The campaign has a national goal of \$5,000,000.

The prelate met with a group of priests who will conduct the campaign in the 13-county archdiocese. A quota of \$200,000 was set as the archdiocese's contribution to the drive. The annual Florack, Paul G. Wohlrab, James F. Doyle, Robert J. Fox, Albert J. Geiger, John L. Maxwell, John Laetare Sunday, March 15.

"Great works of charity can not be easily set aside," Archbishop Mitty declared. "The helping hand is no luxury. We must extend it wherever suffering is to be found. Its extension overseas, I believe, will help to bring us peace for charity is the price of peace."

Mrs. George Hotchkiss and Miss Mary Louise Connolly were co-chairmen. Mrs. James Sommers, refreshments. Mrs. Ellis Weld Jr., tickets; Mrs. Bernard Meath, candy booth; Miss Alyce Eggleston, decorations.

Following refreshments an auction of remaining cakes and candy was conducted by John Fabrid.

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