

KC Fathers-Sons To Greet State Deputy Fitzgerald

Thomas I. Fitzgerald of New York, state deputy of the Knights of Columbus will make an official visit to Rochester Council when he comes as speaker at the annual Fathers and Sons Communion Breakfast, Sunday, March 1.

He will be greeted by District Deputy John J. Kinney and Grand Knight George F. Vick, Jr. THE KNIGHTS and sons will assist at Mass to be celebrated by

His Excellency Bishop Kearney, former state chaplain, in St. Joseph's Church, Sunday at 7:30 a.m. Rev. Matthew A. Tobin, C.S.S.R., council chaplain will assist the Bishop, Bishop Kearney will preach the sermon.

After the Mass, the knights and sons headed by the state deputy will march to Columbus Civic Center for a breakfast to begin at 9 p.m.

State Deputy Fitzgerald will be presented by Past Grand Knight Joseph P. Flynn. General Chairman Edward J. Skelly will welcome fathers and sons.

State Deputy Fitzgerald has also served as state advocate of the K. of C. He has been a supreme convention delegate and held offices in New York Chapter and in his own Marquette Council. He is serving his second term as state head of the K. of C. having been elected in May, 1951.

St. Boniface Group To Hear Of Holy Land

Sacred Heart Society of St. Boniface Church will meet Monday, Feb. 2 at 8 p.m. in the school hall.

After the business session, the Rev. William J. Schifferell will show "Slides of the Holy Land."

Good Friday Bill In Legislature Backed By Verein

Members of Rochester Branch, Catholic Central Verein of America elected officers and went on record in favor of a bill now before the State Assembly which would make Good Friday a legal holiday, at the branch's meeting, Feb. 19.

Joseph H. Gervais was elected president.

OTHER officers chosen are: Edward Micek, first vice president; Harold Hetzler, second vice president; Perry Finks, secretary; Otto Bauknight, treasurer; Stephen V. Kuchman, marshal; Executive Committee members: August M. Maier, Louis Ammering, William Roeger, Andrew Albrecht, and Anthony Kehrig. The Rev. Frederick Fochtman, C.S.S.R., is spiritual advisor of the Branch.

The organization also went on record in opposition to another bill which would create a commission to study matrimonial matters and recommend revision of laws relating to divorce, on the ground that the creation of such commission would be but a first step in a program for liberalizing the statutes of this State relating to divorce.

EDWARD MICEK led a discussion of the portion of the Declaration of Principles adopted at the St. Louis convention of the Verein which deals with the problem of exiles and legislation relating to expees.

Reporting for a committee organized to secure associate members, August M. Maier outlined a proposed plan of campaign. His report was approved.

A recommendation for a liturgical installation of officers was adopted. The installation is to be held in St. Joseph's Church at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 15.

Archconfraternity To Hear Father Winiecki

The Archconfraternity of the Holy Family of St. Joseph's Church will hold its monthly meeting on Sunday, March 1. The meeting will open with attendance at 7:30 Mass in St. Joseph's Church at which the society will receive Communion in a body. Breakfast will be served in the school hall, followed by a Conference given by the Rev. Joseph Winiecki, C.S.S.R.

Miss Sophie Kluber, breakfast chairman for the month of March, has chosen the following to assist her: the Misses Josephine Carlin, Irene Weaver, Della McGuire, Mary Schlageter, Rose-la Serce and Margaret Wisler.

CWV Hail 2 Outstanding Lay Persons



THE 1953 AWARDS of Monroe County Catholic War Veterans and Ladies Auxiliary were presented Sunday in Hotel Sheraton. Shows after presentation are: (from left) Commander Gerald J. Beauchamp, Miss Barbara Foss, first vice president of Ladies Auxiliary and Mrs. Carl A. Treacott of East Rochester, recipient of Auxiliary plaque (seated) and William T. Nolan, medal winner, (standing). (Courier Staff Photo)

Bishop Urges War Veterans To Sustain Ideal Defense

The Catholic War Veterans were urged to continue to fight for the ideals they espouse by His Excellency, Bishop Kearney speaking after the annual Communion Mass for Monroe County C. W. V. and Veterans and Auxiliary at a Ladies Auxiliary members at St. Joseph's Church, Sunday, Feb. 22.

Washington's Birthday, the Bishop said, was a good time for Catholic War Veterans to rededicate themselves to the task of patriotic defense of God in government, elimination of obscenity in print and motion pictures and ferreting out Communist activity in school, colleges and public posts.

WHILE THERE ARE persons who would oppose the veterans in their program, even some "pussyfooting leaders" among our own, the Bishop said to carry on in spite of them. "The Catholic War Veterans," His Excellency said, "need never be ashamed of the things for which they have fought."

William T. Nolan and Mrs. Carl A. Treacott of East Rochester received the 1953 awards as outstanding Catholic lay persons honored by the Catholic War

300 Persons Hear Opening Talk In Marriage Series

With more than 300 persons in attendance, the current Marriage Preparation Course series got under way last Monday evening at the Powers Hotel.

This was the largest assembly yet to be drawn in the six year existence of the course, which is sponsored by Rochester Deanery Council of Catholic Women.

The keynote talk was given by Rev. Louis J. Hohman, Deanery Moderator, who stated that the "why" of a Marriage Preparation Course lies in the atmosphere in which we live.

"Times are different from when our parents married," Father Hohman said. "Their thoughts and actions were comparatively free from divorce and selfish marriage, so casually accepted by the world today."

THE DEGREE of success a marriage will have depends upon how fully the couple realize that the greatest wedding gift they will receive is from God, Father Hohman remarked. "That golden, priceless gift is the gift of sacramental grace."

The Rev. Albert J. Shamon, featured speaker of the evening, spoke about the meaning of love in the married life. "There are two words in the vocabulary of love: 'you' and 'always,'" Father Shamon said.

The speaker concluded: "Love gives, forgives, outlives, and ever stands with open hands — and while it stands, it gives. For that is love's prerogative — to give, and give, and give."

Next meeting of the Marriage Preparation Course will take place at the Powers Hotel on Monday, Mar. 2 at 8:15 p.m. Attorney Gerald R. Barrett will talk on "The Ideal Husband" and

Forty Hours

Devotions of the Forty Hours will be held in the following churches of the Diocese of Rochester: Sunday, March 1 — St. Ambrose, Rochester; Capuchin Monastery, Geneva.

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