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Catholic Information

22 Talks On Catholic Church Listed For Inquiries At Hotel



Fr. Quinn Fr. Gibbons Fr. Shamon Fr. Marks Fr. Kenny Fr. Lynch Fr. Murley Fr. Hohman

Twenty-two topics are listed for discussion and explanation in the Sixth Annual Catholic Information Series opening Monday, Oct. 26 at Hotel Seneca...

The Series is being conducted on what Catholics believe and why they so believe, Father Marks said and since its inception has attracted a large number of inquiries.

Although these talks are intended for non-Catholics, Catholics are also welcome. First hand information will be available about the beliefs of more than 400 million persons who are members of every nation of the world...

A QUESTION period will follow each talk wherein the inquirer may address his question publicly to the speaker or privately to one of the other priests in attendance.

Speakers in the series are all priest-professors of St. Andrew's Seminary and all possess secular degrees.

No cost is involved for those attending and no admission charge is made. Literature to supplement the talk is offered free of charge.

A LIST of the various speakers, topics of their talks and dates follows:

- Building For The Future — October 26 — Rev. Francis A. Marks (Introductory Notion)... The Book of Books — November 2 — Rev. Richard M. Quinn (The Bible)... From Dust To Unending Life — November 9 — Rev. Raymond M. Kenny (God the Creator - The Nature of Man)...

Jersey Judge Backs Police On Seizing 'Moon Is Blue'

Jersey City, N. J. — (NC) — A squad of policemen not only reached for "The Moon" but confiscated it.

And after a Superior Court Judge approved their action, the film was shown no longer in Jersey City's largest movie house, the Stanley Theater, which seats 4,200.

It all started out when the theater booked "The Moon Is Blue." It has been evaluated in the "condemned" class by the National Legion of Decency and failed to obtain a seal of approval from the Motion Picture Producers Association of America...

SO WHEN "The Moon" opened up on a double-feature bill with "No Escape," Bernard J. Berry, municipal public safety director, who said he received a number of complaints about the picture...

While all this was going on and the theater patrons were sitting through a showing of "No Escape," the theater obtained another print of "The Moon"...

court proceedings. The theater people asked the Superior Court for an injunction to restrain the police from interfering with the showing of the film. After that an audience of just 18 persons, including Superior Court Judge Thomas J. Stanton, counsel for the Stanley Corporation of America, which operates the theater, and attorneys for the city, sat through a showing of the controversial movie in the huge theater.

Catholic Education For Women



COLLEGE FAIR sponsored by Rochester Circle, International Federation of Catholic Alumnae which gave the messages of 36 colleges to young women brought together at Our Lady of Mercy High School the above leaders in the movement. His Excellency Bishop Kearney spoke at the affair. In photo (from left) Mrs. John J. Mahoney, regent; Sister Mary Louise (White) SSND of the Notre Dame College of Maryland faculty; Bishop Kearney and Miss Mary Eleanor Smith, Dean of Women, Catholic University Washington, D.C.

Select College 'With God On Campus', Bishop Asks

His Excellency Bishop Kearney told 300 high school juniors and seniors and their parents, at the second Catholic College Fair sponsored by Rochester Circle, International Federation of Catholic Alumnae...

"not to turn your back on God, but to make God your choice in the selection of a college choosing a Catholic College where God is in the class room and on the campus."

THE FAIR was held at Our Lady of Mercy High School on Sunday, Oct. 18 when deans, faculty members and alumnae of 36 Catholic Colleges for women were present to discuss the advantages of their individual colleges with students and parents.

Special sessions were held, catalogs, brochures and year books were on display and in many instances, slides were shown of campus life.

The fact that God is present on each Catholic College campus is the real standard for prospective students to consider, he said. Miss Jean Schriener, chairman of fair arrangements introduced the guests who were on the speaker's platform with Bishop Kearney...

Americans Set Marian Year Pilgrimages

Washington — (NC) — A great number of Americans, perhaps even more than visited Rome during the 1950 Holy Year, will make pilgrimages to shrines of Our Lady in Europe during the 1954 Marian Year.

As urged by His Holiness Pope Pius XII, when he proclaimed the Marian Year to commemorate the centennial of the proclamation of the dogma of the Immaculate Conception, Americans will visit the major Marian shrines in Europe.

SCHEDULES AND Itineraries have been drawn up on behalf of the Archbishops and Bishops of the Dubuque Province, which embraces the state of Iowa; the Indianapolis Province, which encompasses all of Indiana, and the diocese of Albany for pilgrimages to Lourdes, La Salette, Fatima, Loretto, Pompeii, Paris, Rome, and other shrines. These plans were announced by the International Catholic Travel Service of Lanseria.

Other pilgrimages announced include the Third National Pilgrimage to the Marian Shrine under the leadership of Msgr. Patrick J. O'Connor, director of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D. C., and the Georgetown University pilgrimages for the Soledad. This latter group will be in Rome for the World Sodality Congress, September 8 to 12, 1954.

Plans are also being readied for an Easter Pilgrimage to "Land of Mary The Holy Land" in the spring.

Cardinal Suffers Virus Infection

Recurrence of a recent virus infection forced His Eminence Francis Cardinal Spellman to interrupt his European travel schedule yesterday (Thursday).

The Cardinal denied a rumor that he suffered a heart attack and explained that his indisposition was merely the recurrence of the virus infection which he had suffered previously to his departure for Europe.

Kit Helps Campaign For Holy Christmas

St. Paul, Minn. — (NC) — A publicity kit to remind the U.S. that "Christmas Is Christ's Birthday" has been printed by the Catechetical Guild here.

Available without cost to groups who wish to join in the campaign to emphasize the spiritual at Christmas time, the kit includes suggestions for organizing local campaigns, obtaining publicity, cooperation from merchants, television and radio broadcasts and club participation.

The 54-page kit is available from the Catechetical Guild at 147 East Fifth Street, St. Paul.

Gift Subscription By Unknown Person Led Man To Faith

La Crosse, Wis. — (NC) — A gift subscription from an unknown person led a Catholic newspaper reader to the Church, a letter has revealed. "The truth and beauty of the Catholic faith were made known to me, largely by way of the (LaCrosse) Register and through the apostolicity of some unknown person who had a subscription sent to my home for a period of several years prior to my conversion."

The convert wrote the letter while renewing his subscription and ordering subscriptions for his non-Catholic parents, brothers and friends.

Banquet Honors Msgr. Boland

Buffalo, N. Y. — (NC) — Martin P. Durkin, who recently resigned as Secretary of Labor, will be the principal speaker at a banquet honoring Msgr. John P. Boland, founder of the Buffalo Diocesan Labor College, October 26 at the Hotel Statler here. The Diocesan Labor College was founded 15 years ago.

Why The Yankees Won

Billy Martin's Hail Mary Beat Dodgers

Honolulu, T.H. — (NC) — "Take it from Billy Martin, it was a fervently recited Hail Mary that won the precedent-setting, fifth consecutive World Series for the New York Yankees. The second baseman should know. He recited the Hail Mary and then he hit the single that sent Hank Bauer scampering home with the winning run and the World title for the Yankees in the bottom of the ninth of the sixth game against Brooklyn's luckless Dodgers. The series' hero made a deep impression on a group of 200 sports followers who heard him tell the Hail Mary story at a Quarterback Club luncheon in the Smile Cafe here. Martin came here with pitcher-steam-mate Early Laps. All Stars, en route to Japan for a series of games. Martin related that he was elated when Hank Bauer moved to second on Mickey Mantle's walk. He said his Hail Mary, he related, as he was stepping into the batter's box and he felt confident that he could produce. The game-winning single was the result. Eddie Lopat, also a devotee



BILLY MARTIN of the Blessed Mother, told the club that Billy Martin's reputation as a fighter, resulting from several fist encounters on the diamond, is unearned. The Yankee pitcher said: "Billy never started any of them. He is one of those boys who won't back away from a fight, though."

Polish Embassy Continues Bid To Dupe U.S. Public

(N.C.W.C. NEWS SERVICE)

A recent demand by two U. S. legislators that the government halt the propaganda activities of the Polish Embassy in Washington takes on added significance in view of a new embassy release hinting at a rosy picture of Church-state relations in Communist Poland.

The demand that the U. S. government expose and stop the Red propaganda activities of the Polish embassy was made in a joint memorandum by Senator Estes Kefauver of Tennessee and Representative

Inspired by an embassy release on the case of His Eminence Stefan Cardinal Wyszynski, the statement charged that the embassy is taking part in a propaganda campaign "calculated to deceive and mislead the American people." It stated that this activity "is in violation of every accepted norm of diplomacy" and called on the government to take "appropriate action."

Polish Regime Arrests Second Gniezno Bishop

London — (RNS) — Auxiliary Bishop Lucian Bernacki of Gniezno has been arrested by Polish Communist authorities, Catholic sources here reported. The arrest brought to ten the number of Polish bishops now imprisoned or under house arrest, including the other Gniezno Auxiliary, Bishop Anton Baranlak.

BISHOP BARANIAK earlier was reported taken into custody following the banishment of His Eminence Stefan Cardinal Wyszynski by the Polish regime and his imprisonment in a monastery; Cardinal Wyszynski is Archbishop of both Warsaw and Gniezno.

Bishop Bernacki is Vicar General of Gniezno.

The other seven bishops imprisoned are:

Archbishop Eugene Baziak of Cracow Archdiocese; Bishop Stanislaw Rospond of Cracow; Bishop Czeslaw Kaczmarek of Kielce; Bishop Stanislaw Adamak of Katowice; Coadjutor Bishop Herbert Bednorz of Katowice; Auxiliary Bishop Julius Bieniek of Katowice; and Bishop Karl Maria Splitt of Danzig.

Reds Honor Nuns In Bid To Confuse

London — (NC) — The Polish Communists have demonstrated their mastery in creating confusion and swiftly changing tactics by bestowing decorations on 14 nuns for devoted social services.

These awards were announced as Polish Catholics were still reeling from the news of the arrest of their beloved Primate, His Eminence Stefan Cardinal Wyszynski.

THE NUNS, belonging to a variety of religious communities, occupy responsible positions in kindergartens, and institutions for the care of people suffering from incurable diseases. The irony of the matter is that these institutions formerly belonged to the religious communities and were confiscated by the regime. The nuns are kept in the institutions by the regime only until it can train other personnel to replace them.

The regime's announcement stated that it had awarded the Golden Cross of Merit to one nun, the Silver Cross of Merit to nine nuns, and the Bronze Cross of Merit to four nuns.

No Politics In Pulpit, People Tell Pollsters

St. Paul, Minn. — (NC) — Americans — 70 per cent of them — want no talk of politics in the pulpit, a survey has claimed.

And Catholics head the list with 78 per cent saying they don't think priests should discuss political issues at a sermon during Mass.

Figures in the Catholic Digest poll revealed, however, that the more educated a person is, the more he wants to hear a churchman's views on political issues from the pulpit. Only 19 per cent of those with eight-grade education wanted to hear politics in church, but 43 per cent of college graduates did.

OVERALL FIGURES, including all religious groups, showed that 70 per cent, or seven out of ten Americans did not think it is ever right for clergymen to discuss politics from the pulpit; 22 per cent thought it was right; and eight per cent said they didn't know.

In an article on the survey in its November issue, the Catholic Digest commented: "The present political and religious climate of the U. S. is such that the disapproval of clergymen discussing politics in church seems to be the popular view in the U. S. The same question asked in Europe would undoubtedly draw a quite different response because of prevailing religious and political circumstances. . . . The situation in Europe should teach us that, in different circumstances, a different response would be quite logical and perhaps necessary."

Presbyterians led the religious groups in approving politics in sermons, with 30 per cent in favor and 63 per cent against. Next came the Episcopalians with 28 per cent approving and 59 per cent disapproving — the lowest any vote of any religious group.

BUT, ON THE average, the Catholic Digest reported, Catholic, Protestant and Jewish thought on the question is about the same. On the disapproval of politics in church, the averages went this way: Catholics, 72 per cent; Protestants, 70 per cent; and Jews, 66 per cent.

Breaking the survey down: less women wanted politics in the pulpit than men; the New England States had the highest no vote and the lowest yes vote of any region; manual workers said "no" more loudly than any other occupational group, while professional men and white collar workers had the most yes-votes; city or rural living didn't seem to make much difference in people's choices.

School Holiday On Nov. 1

In view of the fact that St. Michael's Day is observed Nov. 1, 1953, the Bishop has decreed that for all elementary schools and high schools in the diocese on Nov. 1, 1953, there will be a day off from school. (Signed) Charles E. Brennan, Bishop.