

# Msgr. Shay Spurs HNS Campaign To Eliminate Evil Books Read By Youth

Spurred by the condemnation of the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Charles F. Shay, pastor of those who sell magazines, vi-

olous and immoral books to children and teen agers? and permit children to loiter in stores to read them, the Holy Name Society of Holy Rosary

# Thanksgiving Clothes Collection To Open In Diocese, Nov. 22

The slogan "Help Urgently Needed" sounds the call for the annual Thanksgiving Clothing Collection to be conducted from Nov. 22 to Nov. 29 in the Diocese of Rochester as well as in other dioceses throughout the United States.

His Excellency Bishop Kearney has appointed the Rev. Louis J. Hohman as director of the campaign. Father Hohman is on the faculty of St. Andrew's Seminary. The Bishop directs attention to the need for full cooperation with the representatives of the American Bishops in Europe and the East.

"I AM SURE," the Bishop said, "that if this opportunity to clothe the needy is brought to the attention of our people, they will do what they can. An hour or so of going through old wardrobes will bring forth much real help."

Bishop Kearney said: "This is a great work of charity and excellent Thanksgiving for our own blessing in America."

In the diocesan-wide campaign, Father Hohman will have for his assistants, the Rev. Daniel V. Hogan and the Rev. Richard Nangle. Deans of parishes will be the Rev. Albert Ryan, Elmira; the Rev. Kieran Hickey, O. Carm., Auburn; the Rev. Frank Waterstraat, Geneva and the Rev. Alfred J. Horr, Corning. Cooperating also will be Mrs. Colin Tracey, chairman of the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women War Relief.

Clothing collected in this appeal will help cover naked bodies, replace worn-out garments; will make it possible for bread-winners to seek work, will enable children to go to school, according to the War Relief Services National Catholic Welfare Conference under whose auspices the nation-wide drive is being conducted.

NEED FOR THE clothing is urgent on many fronts. In Korea, 3,000,000 refugees await clothing. Escapes fleeing into Berlin from behind the Iron Curtain and unemployed expellees in Germany and Austria will be recipients of donations.

More than 75,000 displaced persons ill and physically handicapped await clothing in camps in Germany, Austria, Trieste and Italy. Civilians in Europe are destitute.

Added to these are large numbers of Palestinian refugees in the Near East and those in Indo-China, Formosa and Hong Kong, all suffering from oppression.

College Gymnasium, Providence, R.I. (N.C.)—Father Robert J. Slavin, O.P., president of Providence College, announced that contracts for a \$2,000,000 gymnasium had been signed.

## Holy Hour Set For Students

Students from all over the city will attend a Holy Hour at St. Joseph's Church, Franklin St. from 7 to 8 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 15.

Invitation to high school students to attend is extended by the Rev. Edward E. Steinkirchner, assistant pastor of St. Boniface Church and Assistant Diocesan Sodality Director.

## 'Identity' Topic Listed For Forum

In a lecture, entitled "Mistaken Identity," the Rev. Paul J. Gibbons of St. Andrew's Seminary

faculty will discuss the life and divinity of Jesus Christ. This, the fourth lecture of the Catholic Information Forum will be given on Monday, Nov. 16 at 8 p.m. in the Seneca Hotel.

Father Gibbons will point out why belief in the Divinity of Christ is an absolute essential for anyone claiming to be a Christian. He will show why the Catholic Church in answer to the question, "What think ye of Christ? Whose son is He?" responds with St. Peter that Christ is true God; "Thou art Christ, the Son of the Living God."

The Catholic Information Forum aims to explain Catholic doctrine and practice, especially to those not of the Catholic faith. The lectures and supplementary literature are given entirely without charge.

## St. John's Society To Hear Fr. Atwell

The Rev. Henry A. Atwell, assistant pastor, will talk on "The Infant Jesus of Prague" at the Rosary Society of St. John's Church, Greece on Wednesday, Nov. 18 following services in the church at 7:45 p.m.

Mrs. William Smith will preside at the business session. Cards will follow the meeting.

Church launched a campaign against evil literature, this week. Action of the Holy Name men followed a sermon delivered by Monsignor Shay, Sunday in which he warned parents of the growing evil in the community. Members of the Holy Name Society committee of Catholic Action headed by the Rev. James Marvin, spiritual director, had made a survey of the stores after hearing complaints of the type of literature available.

MONSIGNOR SHAY not only condemned the actions of those who sell magazines, vicious and immoral books to children and teen agers but said "what is worse, to permit them after buying soap and ice cream to hang around said stores and fill their minds with filthy pictures of sins against purity."

"The sad feature of the whole thing is that besides teaching them how to do immoral things by acting out for them the evil scenes," Monsignor Shay said, "they are allowed to loiter around these stores and are permitted to peruse such literature. It would seem that a great many parents have no idea of what is being poured into the young minds in this subtle manner."

"It is high time, if we are to have decent youth, that something be done to stop this means of promoting juvenile delinquency."

"Christ always set up a little child as a example of what is required for admission to the Kingdom of Heaven; and in the Eight Beatitudes He said: 'Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God.'"

"We can have compassion upon human failings in this virtue but when tender children and teen agers are encouraged by this means to practice vice and immorality, something should be done to make such vendors realize the seriousness of their filthy gain from the youth of this city and our country."

"A country cannot long survive, as the pages of history testify, when youth is taught to disregard morality by the gradual processes of physical and mental decay, set us join in absolute protest against the continuance of such terrible practices."

TO ORGANIZE the campaign in Holy Rosary parish, a committee was named by President Charles Northcote to include Father Marvin, Charles Magee, Joseph Wetzel, William Dady and Carl Lovenguth.

The committee will be enlarged as the work of alerting the parishioners, especially parents to the dangers involved is accomplished. Not only parishioners but other people in the community will be asked to avoid places selling objectionable literature until they can place up signs saying they no longer have such reading matter in their places of business.

The Holy Name Men of Holy Rosary will also call on other units in the Rochester Diocesan Council to join in the campaign, President Northcote said.

## St. Mary's Business Alumnae Slate Dance

St. Mary's Business School Alumnae will hold their annual Thanksgiving Dance on Saturday, Nov. 28 at Doud Post Home, Buffalo Road.

Music will be furnished by Bob Epping and his orchestra from 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Buffet luncheon will be served at 11:30 a.m. Tickets may be purchased at the Doud Post Home. The public is invited.

# 700 School Children To Sing Afternoon Mass

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### Temporary Mt. Carmel Schoolroom



MOP-UP BRIGADE goes to work readying old Cathedral High School Building as temporary Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School following fire in the latter school on Ontario St. Volunteering their services (from left) are Jenny and Joseph Ventimiglia, Felice Armanocco and Arlene Madalena. It is hoped to open the school at Plymouth Ave. North and Brown on Monday.

## Opening Set For \$150,000 Campaign To Rebuild Fire-Ruined Mt. Carmel School

To rebuild the fire-gutted Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School on Ontario St., a campaign for \$150,000 will be launched at a dinner meeting at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 30 in Hotel Seneca. The campaign endorsed by His Excellency Bishop Kearney will continue through Monday, Dec. 14.

The disastrous fire which swept through the 44-year-old school building on Monday, Nov. 2 left 490 pupils without a place of learning. Plans are being made for them to be taught in temporary quarters in old Cathedral High School building, Plymouth Avenue North and Brown St.

Campaign workers at the opening dinner will be addressed by Bishop Kearney as the principal speaker.

In a letter to parishioners, Bishop Kearney said: "To begin all over again seems so hard. But let us look at it this way. Thank God we can rebuild. Thank God we can dry our tears and 'pitch in' to reconstruct. Think of the churches and schools in so many places in Europe where our people can only sit and weep over the loss of their schools, and have no hope of ever restoring them."

At the opening dinner, the Very Rev. Msgr. John S. Randall, managing editor of the Catholic Courier Journal and diocesan director of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith will outline campaign procedure. The workers will hear an appeal from the Rev. Charles J. Azzi, pastor of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church on the urgent need for funds.

GENERAL CHAIRMEN of the fund drive are James D'Amico and Charles M. Dispenza, Head

## Pontifical Mass To Mark Motu Proprio Jubilee

To commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the issuance of the Motu Proprio pronouncement on Sacred Music by Blessed Pope Pius X on the Feast of St. Cecilia, 1905, a Solemn Pontifical Mass will be celebrated in Sacred Heart Cathedral, Sunday afternoon, Nov. 22.

The Mass will be celebrated by His Excellency Bishop Kearney beginning at 4:30 p.m. and at the Mass the sacred music taught in the parochial schools will be demonstrated. The school children have a dual program of sacred and secular music in the schools.

The Gregorian Mass marking the Motu Proprio will be sung by the school children and the Proper of the Mass will be sung by the famed St. Bernard's Seminary Choir under the direction of the Rev. Charles J. McCarthy, professor of music at the Seminary.

THE CHILDREN'S choir will consist of 700 voices from the elementary and high schools of Rochester with the Rev. Albert L. Simonetti, pastor of Church of the Annunciation directing. Father Simonetti while in Elmira directed a Sacred Cantata for several years which was widely acclaimed.

The Rt. Rev. Msgr. Charles J. Mahoney, superintendent, Catholic Schools, Diocese of Rochester is directing arrangements for the Sacred Music commemoration. He called attention to the following in the Motu Proprio: "Special efforts," Pope Pius X said, "are to be made to restore the use of Gregorian Chant by the people so that the Faithful may take a more active part in the ecclesiastical offices, as was the case in ancient times."

The Diocese of Rochester, Monsignor Mahoney said, has a rich tradition in Sacred Music. FOUNDED AND a charter member of the Society of St. Gregory, the organization in this country which has fostered liturgical music to great accomplishments was the late Rev. John Peter of St. Bernard's Seminary, nationally known in the field.

Father Peter's work in the society resulted in his being elected national president. Also nationally known is the Rev. Benedict Ehmann, pastor of St. Mary's of the Lake Church, Watkins Glen and former professor of music at St. Andrew's and St. Bernard's Seminaries. Father Ehmann was recognized by being made editor of "The Choirmaster," nationally distributed.

Long an authority on church music, the Rev. George V. Predmore, pastor of Holy Apostles Church has been a great part of the tradition. Father Predmore first brought out a book on "Church Music in the Light of the Motu Proprio," later followed by "Sacred Music and the Catholic Church" guides for proper use of church music. The late Professor F. Eugene Bonn, St. Patrick's Cathedral organist and choir master was

nationally known for his compositions. Music by Philip G. Kreckel organist and choirmaster of St. Boniface Church is used widely today.

Invitations to the Mass have been sent to patrons of the School Music Festival. Admission will be by ticket only. THE ANNIVERSARY will be marked in Elmira at a Solemn High Mass in SS. Peter and Paul's Church, Elmira on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, Dec. 8 to 10 a.m. Four hundred and fifty school children from Elmira's parochial schools, Elmira Catholic High School and St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing will be directed by Father Ehmann.

### Forty Hours

Devotions of the Forty Hours will be conducted in the following churches of the Diocese of Rochester:

Sunday, Nov. 15 — Our Lady of Lourdes, St. Theodore, Rochester; St. Mary, Elmira. Friday, Nov. 28 — Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Rochester.

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