

Religion Offers Solution For Evil Today, Fr. Egan Tells Ladies of Charity

Niagara U. Head Listed To Speak At HN Breakfast

The Very Rev. Francis L. Meide, C. M., president of Niagara University, will be guest speaker at the 13th Annual Communion Breakfast of the Holy Name Society of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Elmira, at 8:30 a. m. today.

Members will receive Holy Communion in a body at the 8:30 a. m. Mass and the breakfast will follow at the Mark Twain Hotel.

John D. Frayley and W. Russell Rosky are co-chairmen. Daniel F. Kennedy is ticket chairman. Frayley will act as toastmaster.

Miss Purcell To Head Quota Club

Cornell — Miss Joan Purcell, a parishioner of St. Mary's Church and a graduate and active member of the Nazareth College Alumnae Association, was elected charter president of the newly organized Cornell Painted Post Quota Club at a dinner meeting in the Baron Steuben Hotel last Monday evening.

Miss Purcell is also active in Cornell business and professional women groups, and is now affiliated with Cornell Radio Station WCLL. She was formerly associated with a Rochester radio station.

Organized through the efforts of Mrs. Lillian Sandys of Williamsport, the club will have an initial membership of about 30 local business women. Mrs. Sandys is a past governor of the District of Quota International.

Interest was shown about two weeks ago when 18 local business women attended a dinner at the hotel. Since that time Mrs. Sandys has been able to increase the membership.

Other officers elected were: Ethel Ireland, first vice-president; Ada Wilcox, second vice-president; Elizabeth Dalrymple, secretary; and Dorene Hall, treasurer. These officers will serve one year. Directors chosen were: Frances Markert, Helen Hood, June Borel and Lillian Verdenheim, also elected to serve one year.

THE NEXT dinner meeting will be at the hotel April 5, when plans for a charter party will be discussed. Mrs. Sandys will also be present at this gathering.

Quota is a service club of women executives — one from each business or professional activity in its city — organized to advance the interests of women, cultivate friendship and serve country and community. It is non-partisan and non-sectarian.

THE Rev. Hubert A. Biskey, Moderator of the Ladies of Charity, celebrated the Mass.

At the Communion breakfast which followed at the Mark Twain Hotel, the Rev. Dr. Joseph M. Egan, of St. Bernard's Seminary, guest speaker, spoke on "The Christian Solution of the Problem of Evil."

"No one can live in the world without becoming keenly aware, not only of its problems but also of the ugliness and evil in the world," Father Egan said. "Because we wonder about these things, he concluded, 'it is only natural that we begin to wonder about evil. Evil makes a definite problem and the solution belongs, above all other problems, in religion and the religion least afraid to face the problem is the Christian religion.'"

"The Christian religion does not have as its symbol the Star, as do the Jews," he said, nor the Crescent, as do the Mohammedans, but the Christian religion has as its symbol the ugly, smother sign of the Cross."

"THE CROSS takes the sign of the Cross wherever she goes, even when she lays out a new church, she forms a Cross, when she builds her steeple, she tops them with the sign of the Cross, when she adorns her rites, she constantly employs the sign of the Cross. This symbol, the Sign of the Cross, pervades the whole Christian religion."

"The Christian religion is not afraid to face problems of evil," Father Egan said. "When we view this problem we view it under a different light, we approach it with a different spirit, we attack it with different methods than those employed by non-Christians. 'We approach it first by the light of faith.' 'We cannot judge the problems by the light of human reason, for our light is the light of faith, faith in God.' 'Faith has often revealed the true answers to those who are in trouble.' 'Then there are those who think that God is responsible for the evils in the world,' the speaker said.

Many philosophers have come up with the idea that God is not omnipotent and benevolent, otherwise he would not permit the world to be filled with evils, the speaker said. "But we know," he continued, "that God is infinitely perfect. That He is omnipotent and benevolent and has an infinite love for creatures and wants them to have happiness."

"OUR FAITH tells us we must have accurate standards in judging evils; our faith tells us that it is not physical evil that is the supreme evil, but that sin is the supreme evil, clear and distinguishable."

"Then too," he said, "we approach the problem of suffering in a different way, than the non-

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Fourth Degree KC Leaders Honored



PINS SYMBOLIC of their offices as past faithful navigators are presented these former Elmside Degree Assembly Knights of Columbus by the Rev. Dr. G. Schwab, Talmadge Hall, in Columbus Center. Father Schwab congratulated the air knight for his role in the air. In photo (from left) Faithful Navigator William F. O'Donnell, Father Schwab and past faithful navigators Henry P. Farrell, Samuel A. DeBanzo, Thomas A. Cowley, Frederick D. Speckle, Philip J. Sullivan, Frank K. Rhode, James P. O'Leary and Louis A. Lauterwasser.

Funeral Services For Mary Byrne Held In Ithaca

Ithaca — Miss Mary T. Byrne of 113 N. Geneva St., Ithaca, sister of the Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Byrne, pastor of the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Ithaca, died unexpectedly Friday evening, March 19, 1954, in Tompkins County Memorial Hospital, Ithaca, after a short illness.

She had made her home with her brother for the last 24 years. She was a member of the Third Order of St. Francis, the League of the Sacred Heart, the Altar and Rosary Society and Blessed Martin Guild.

Besides Msgr. Byrne, she is survived by a sister, Miss Margaret Byrne of 42 Boardman St., Rochester; a niece, Mrs. James Gersbach of Scotia, and two nephews, T. Francis Gilligan of Dansville and William Gilligan of Hicksville.

FUNERAL SERVICES were held at 9:30 A. M. Tuesday, March 23, in the Rectory of the Church of the Immaculate Conception, followed by a Solemn High Mass of Requiem in the Church of the Immaculate Conception at 10 a. m. with the Rev. Msgr. William Byrne celebrating, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. James A. Hughes, Vicar General of the Diocese of Newark, N. J., as co-celebrant; Rev. Russell Conway of St. John's, New Brunswick, sub-deacon; and Rev. Paul Morgan, master of ceremonies.

Interment was in Calvary Cemetery, Ithaca, where Msgr. Byrne, Msgr. Hughes and the Rev. John Maloney conducted the prayers at the grave.

Pall bearers were Lawrence Och, James Tressy, Arthur Sprague, Luke Keefe, Michael Leary and James Kenrick.

Present in the sanctuary were the Very Rev. Msgr. Donald M. Cleary, and the Reverend Fathers: Thomas Cleary, John Tressy, John Crowley, John Walsh, Frederick Bush, Vincent Collins, Leonard Kelly, Hubert Biskey, Thomas Toole, John Maloney, James Baker, Alexander Stec, John Rankin, Theodore Wintworth, John Redgas, Albert Ryan, Charles Langworthy, Robert Kress, Edward Simpson, Paul Morgan, Joachim Crumlish, O.F.M. Cap., and Michael Reder, O.F.M. Cap.

Inquiry Class Dates Changed

St. Patrick's Church Inquiry Classes in Elmira will be held on Monday and Tuesday evenings of next week instead of the regular schedule.

Topics for Monday, March 29: "Bread of Life—From God to Man." Tuesday, March 30, "The Great Prayer—The Mass."

Classes are held in St. Patrick's school at 7:30 p. m. and are conducted by Priests of the parish.

Seminar Expresses Need For Literature Campaign

Commendation of the efforts of Elmside in seeking to eliminate objectionable literature for children was expressed in a letter to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel F. Kennedy, 821 W. Gray St., Elmira by Daniel J. Kennedy, a seminararian at Maryknoll.

The young man is a graduate of St. Patrick's School, Elmira Catholic High School and spent two years at the University of Scranton.

Excerpts from the letter follow:

"I was glad to hear and to read in the Courier, all about the drive to promote decent literature for the children. When you were mentioning that I had never thought that there were so many books, and that you were helping, and how some of the titles were so bad sounding, the covers are the worst part, in some, so I'm told, even if the book is at all good—the cover with its figures in different degrees of undress and the like."

"You will find that there is certainly a filthy mess which must be cleaned up for certain, not only is it a good idea, but it is a duty of all mature persons with any moral backbone to stop these things."

I know when I had been listening to operate music for a couple of hours at a time now and then I found that unless you concentrated on what you were doing, these tunes would invariably permeate into your thoughts, and in the same way would this trash that comes under the name of literature—with a quite different result.

"If the mind is so easily soiled by these readings as you say, then the mind is soiled, as Christ said in the Gospel 'A bad tree can only bear bad fruit, and only a good tree can bear good fruit,' and by their fruits you shall know them."

A person, a child, as he goes through the stages of puberty and adolescence is still in the stages of development and thus is very malleable to the knocks of the world.

"Actually he is like the clay you use mother, which has been shaped, but not fired, it is still soft to touch and thus can be marred; it takes the care of the maker; I mean you, to keep it from being marred until it has been matured in the oven, and thus can take the knocks on its own, without being permanently marred."

"That is why a child, or an immature adult, as such, in the making, must be guided by the person that is responsible for their existence and well being. 'The parents must keep their child in an atmosphere conducive for proper development, in the home, yes, but also outside the home—the friends, the playmates of the child—the places they 'hang out,' and the things like salacious literature, which not only effect the body, but effect the most important part of us."

26 In Diocesan Pilgrimage To Visit European Shrines

A party of 26 pilgrims will be in the Rochester Diocese pilgrimage to the shrines of Europe, this summer, according to the Rev. Joseph A. Cirincione, who will be director of the trip.

Father Cirincione is pastor of St. Francis of Assisi Church and director of the Family Radio Rosary for Peace program.

The group will meet in New York to sail on the Queen Mary on March 31. The majority of the group is scheduled to sail for Rome on May 27 on the Queen Elizabeth. Five accompanied by Father Cirincione will fly to Rome for the canonization of Pope Pius X on May 29 and 30.

Persons going on the various tours are listed as follows:

Going on Tour C and Extension are: Rev. Joseph A. Cirincione, 77 Whitney St.; Mrs. Eleanor Russek, 88 Lettington St.; Mrs. Minnie Senz, 679½ Glade St.; Miss Emma Witiz, 55 Rott St.; Miss Genevieve Engler, 978½ Clifford Ave. and Joseph Estrada, 348 Coldwater Road.

Taking Tour A will be Miss Mary M. Coffey, 545 West Church St.; Elmside and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest DiDomenico, 710 Madison St., East Rochester.

Tour B will be taken by Miss Teresa Wimmer, 68 Saratoga St.; Mrs. Jacob Stenner, 5 Mile Line Road S., East Rochester; Mrs. Margaret Hoos, 735 Webster Road, Webster.

LEAVING FOR TOUR C are: Mr. and Mrs. Herbert F. Janick, 323 Somershire Drive; Mr. and Mrs. John E. Kelly, 2270 Manilla Rd.; Mrs. Sarah Martin, 27 Mildred St.; Mrs. Florence Wahle, 17 Main St. E., Webster; Mrs. Rose Widdow, 48 Dunsmuir Ave., Webster; Miss Ellen Fetters, 59 Lakewood Terrace; Mr. and Mrs. Philip Oehl, New York City; Miss Mary E. Carroll, Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Vera McAlister, New York City; Mrs. Louis M. Ack, Long Island, N. Y.

The pilgrims' itinerary calls for visits to Notre Dame Cathedral, Paris; the Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima, Portugal; the Cathedral of San Francisco el Grande, Spain; Our Lady of Pillar Shrine, Spain; France and Rome, where they hope to have an audience with His Holiness Pope Pius XII.

THE GROUP in visiting the many religious shrines of Our Lady will be heading the suggestion of the Pope that in this Marian Year, centenary of the Immaculate Conception, that pilgrimages be made to these shrines.

Other places to be visited are: London, Paris, Lisbon, Madrid, Marseille, Nice, the Riviera, Monte Carlo, Genoa, Cherbourg and Dublin. Side trips will take some to Switzerland, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg.

Most of the party will go to Rochester, England for the dedication of St. John Fisher Church by His Excellency Bishop Kearney on May 23.

The invitation to Bishop Kearney was extended in recognition of this Rochester's share in the building of the church, how near-

St. Anthony Men To Make Mission

Solemn closing of the Mission for the women of St. Anthony's parish, Elmira, will take place on Sunday afternoon at 4 p. m.

The Rev. Joseph De Fazio, C.S.S.R., is conducting the services each evening at 7:30 p. m.

Opening of the Mission for the men of the parish will take place at 7:30 in the evening.

Services include recitation of the Rosary, an inspection and sermon, Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

Daily Masses are celebrated each morning at 6:45, 7:30 and 8 a. m. The first and last Masses are Mission Masses and are followed by a short instruction.

ing completion. From here was Excellency Bishop Kearney to sent \$30,000 as a contribution of make the trip met for the first Catholics to the first Catholic time last Thursday at St. Francis Church in Rochester, England Parish Center, since the Reformation.

The pilgrims who are responsible to a suggestion from His 17 Clinton Ave., South, Rochester.

Monks Open Observance Of Death of St. Benedict

Monks of Mount Saviour Monastery, Madigan Road off Hendy Hollow in Big Flats, near Elmira, began the annual commemoration Sunday, March 21, of the death of their

founder, St. Benedict, who died at Monte Cassino, Italy in 547 A.D.

The observance is usually held on March 21, but was postponed a day this year because of the importance of the Sundays of Lent. The celebration started, however, on Sunday afternoon with the First Vespers of the following day's feast.

FIRST PART of the ceremony was the reception of Mr. Rudy Bernard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Bernard of New York City, as a novice of the monastery. The traditional rite was performed in which the prior of the monastery, Very Rev. Damasius Wimmer, was the novice's test which are then kissed by him and all the monks of the community.

This part of the ceremony takes its inspiration from the scene at the Last Supper when Christ washed the feet of the Apostles. Christ's words: "I was a stranger and you took Me in" caused it also to be a symbol of the acceptance of the new brother by his monastic family.

Afterwards, Mr. Bernard was given the habit, or garb, of a Benedictine novice and a new name by which he will be known in the future as a member of Mount Saviour Monastery. Vespers and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament followed.

After Benediction, the relic of St. Benedict which was exposed in the chapel from Sunday Vespers till Monday night was presented to the congregation for their veneration.

ON THURSDAY, March 25, Feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin, Brother Augustine McGowan, son of Mr. and Mrs. William McGowan of Cortland, Conn., made his first vows as a Benedictine monk of Mount Saviour. The ceremony took place at High Mass which, with a special dispensation from Rome, was celebrated in the evening.

Preceding Mass, Brother Augustine was presented the attire of a layman and the garb of a monk, a symbol of the transition which he was obliged to make his

Camp Stella Maris Registering Now

Camp Stella Maris, the Diocesan Camp for boys and girls is still accepting registrations for the 1954 summer session. Campers of previous years have already received registration cards. New campers may register by writing or calling the Camp Office—54 Chestnut Street—Baker 7600 Ext. 1.

This year Camp will again conduct four encampments for boys and two encampments for girls. Despite many improvements in the camp the fee remains the same—\$2.50 per week. The additional registration fee has been set at \$2.00, a slight increase over last year.

Rev. Eugene H. McFarland, the new Director, asks that parents do not delay in registering their boy or girl. Many parents do not think of Camp until school is almost over. By May 1, Camp is filled and acceptance camps only on a waiting list. To avoid disappointment, the Camp Office urges early registration.

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