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Propagation Of Faith Report

Diocese Donated \$282,549.70 To Missions In 1953

Catholics of the Diocese of Rochester provided \$282,549.70 in funds for support of the Church's worldwide mission apostolate during 1953, according to the annual report of Monsignor John S. Randall, diocesan director of

Mission Sunday Appeal - Oct. 24

My Dear People:
May I, once again, appeal to your generosity on behalf of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith and its world-wide program of service.

Every day of the week some young man or woman in a missionary organization of our Church leaves home and country to carry the gospel of Christ into areas where the Holy Father has begged for the service of modern apostles. Their sacrifice would be a hopeless failure unless some one undertook to give the spiritual and financial help which they need for their work. On Mission Sunday the universal Church prays for these missionaries in millions of Masses over the world and asks also your prayers and your generous assistance in the Mission Collection for the Propagation of the Faith.

This year's collection comes during the Marian Year, a year dedicated to the special honor of the Mother of God. May I ask that, in her special honor, you give twice as large an offering next Sunday as you gave last year. Thus, you will be paying her a tribute of special devotion for her Marian Year and also helping to make her known to so many souls under the care of our missions who need so much her mother's care.

The generosity of our diocese to the Missions is one of our finest traditions. Let us preserve the honored tradition.

With grateful blessing, I am
Your devoted Shepherd in Christ,
James E. Kearney
Bishop of Rochester

P.S.: The Mission Collection is to be taken up at all the Masses on Sunday, October 24.

Cardinal Writes N Day Prayer

York — (RNS) — His Eminence Francis Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop of New York, has written a prayer for United Nations Day, Oct. 24, ninth anniversary of the founding of the international body. Text of the prayer follows:

O God, the Father in heaven, bless the representatives of various countries gathered in Thy presence for man's peace; bless them with the light of Thy truth and Thy wisdom; with Thy wisdom give us the spirit of peace that may know peace and bring peace upon earth for the glory of Thy name. O God, bless our nation without God can have peace, and only they can have peace who know Thy peace. Therefore do we pray for the peace of the world, a peace not of gold or silver, not of blood or tears, not of blood bath or hate, but of peace, the gift of God to men of good-will for living.

Bishops Aid Iran Refugees

Washington — The Catholic Bishops of Ireland appealed for contributions to help a German mission house to care for refugees from Communist-ruled areas. A statement issued by the bishops said that the hierarchy had raised \$11,000,000 in West Germany and with their material contribution, the bishops hoped to help the refugees "even more pitiable than those who are Catholic."

No Teeth "Gnashing"

Japan — (NC) — A priest in the Kyoto diocese was conducting five converts. He was explaining to a group in the particular judgment each person must face with. Breveting that a man is on earth is the only way of reaching heaven, he said: "Remember, what the Gospel says will be weeping and gnashing of teeth, because many are called but few are chosen." A man in the back row rose to ask a question. "He wanted to know, about people like me who have no teeth?" The priest was puzzled. "I worry," he replied. "I'll be provided to those who have teeth when the time comes."

Brook, Newfoundland Army Officer Receives Sacraments In 5 Hours

Brook, Newfoundland — A U. S. Army officer at the Ernest Harmon base near Stephenville has received the sacraments within a five-hour period. Capt. Louis G. Adams, who was baptized, made his first confession, received his First Holy Communion, and was confirmed and married sacramentally — all between 11 in the morning and four in the afternoon.

Not only the captain, but his four children were received into the Church at the same time. They were Peter, 9; Michael, 7; Kathy Louise, 5; and Nancy, only 3 months. His wife, Betty Louise, who had been baptized a Catholic previously, received four of the sacraments.

the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. In the year 1952, diocesan contributions to the missions totaled \$264,700.24.

Monsignor Randall issued the 1953 Propagation of the Faith report on the eve of the 1954 annual Mission Collection which will be taken this Sunday (Oct. 24) in all churches of the diocese. He also pointed out that Mission Sunday contributions last year amounted to \$73,502.50.

In a letter to the people of the diocese, His Excellency Bishop Kearney cited generosity to the Missions as "one of our finest traditions." The letter, read in all churches last Sunday, appealed for "spiritual and material help" for the modern apostles who serve the Church in mission areas.

THE BISHOP specifically requested a Mission Sunday contribution "twice as large as last year" as a tribute to the Mother of God during this year especially dedicated to her. The Mission Sunday collection and other monetary gifts received during the year by the Propagation of the Faith Society are divided three ways, Monsignor Randall explained. He said that 51 percent of each dollar goes to foreign missions, 40 percent to home missions, and 9 percent to the Catholic Near-East.

MEMBERSHIPS in this Society are received on Mission Sunday. The Society has been termed the Pope's "Community Chest" for worldwide mission activities. Members receive Bishop Fulton J. Sheen's monthly illustrated magazine, Mission.

Besides the Mission Sunday contributions, the 1953 report by Monsignor Randall also includes specially designated gifts amounting to \$60,772.78. A total of \$63,877.84 was realized through the Missionary Plan. This program allows each parish to give one collection each year to some one missionary society. The report also includes \$17,502.50 provided through wills, and \$21,554.55 in Mass Stipends distributed to missionary priests.

Children in the schools raised \$26,533.18 through the Holy Childhood Association. Miscellaneous income amounted to \$169.78.

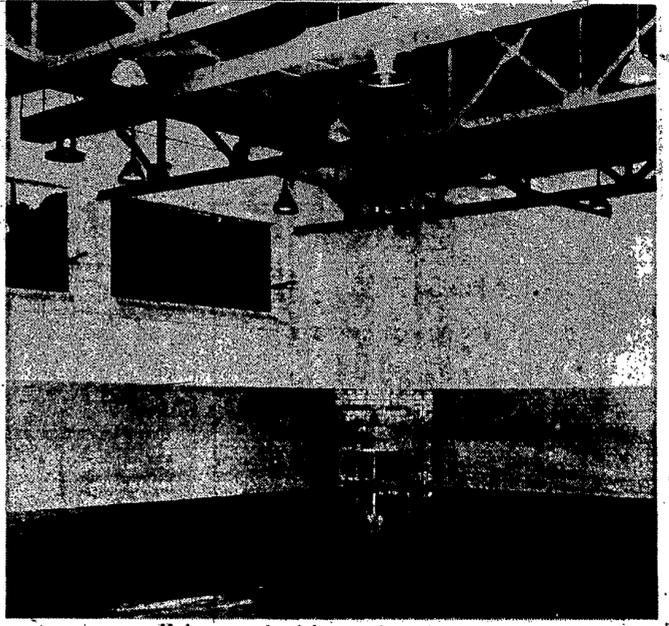
Newark Archbishop Receives Pallium In New Cathedral

Newark, N. J. — (NC) — The solemn and colorful ceremony of the presentation of the pallium to Newark's Archbishop Thomas A. Boland marked the formal opening of the newly completed Cathedral of the Sacred Heart here.

The pallium, which is made of the rufous wool of the mountain goat, was conferred upon Archbishop Boland by His Excellency Amleto Giovanni Cicognani, Apostolic Delegate to the States, who said: "The Solemn Possession of the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart was presided over by James A. Mooney,



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enter the Philadelphia municipal hospital's operating room, where she remained for four hours while the holes in her heart were drawn together by a surgeon's needle. The heart became reduced in size almost immediately and doctors hope that soon it will be normal.

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