

Nun Scientist, Expert On Treatment Of Leprosy, Set In Forum Lecture

Thomas More Lecture Forum will present an extra lecture on its 1954-1955 series on Tuesday, Nov. 30, at 8:15 p.m. at the Chamber of Commerce.

The lecturer is Sister Marie Suzanne, distinguished leprosy scientist who works in France supported by the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. She is now touring the United States telling about her recent discovery of a leprosy vaccine.

Title of her talk is "Mercy, Medicine and a Mission."

According to the Very Rev. Magr. John S. Randall, Executive Director of the Forum, all members of the Thomas More Lecture Forum are invited to attend this lecture. Non-members may purchase tickets at the door or in advance at 35 Solo Street.

The story goes back to 1909

when Sister Marie Suzanne, one of the two pioneer nursing sisters of the Makogai Leprosarium in Fiji, began to study the problem of leprosy. With the primitive means at her disposal, she set up a small laboratory for analysis, transformed later for research.

Following her return to Europe, Sister Marie Suzanne, because of her experience, was in demand at the St. Louis Hospital in Paris where there were some leprosy patients. In the hospital laboratory she continued her research.

From there she moved to the Pasteur Institute for more investigations and after five years, on to Lyons as a clinic established under the auspices of the Propagation of the Faith for returned missionaries who had contracted the disease. Adjoining the Clinic and close to the Catholic University of Lyons she organized the present research laboratory.

Reports of Sister Marie Suzanne's research began to spread all over the world, headed by the Annals of the Pasteur Institute, the Accounts of the French Academy of Sciences, the Inter-

Local Alumni Greet New President

Members of the Holy Cross College Alumni Club of Rochester gathered at the Worcester Mass. College Club at Leacock's Restaurant Friday (from left) Rev. Michael G. Ferris, C.S.B., college alumni executive secretary; Rev. Gerard F. Farnett, S.J., McQuaid High principal; Rev. William Donaghy, S.J., honored guest; Rev. James E. Barnett, S.J., McQuaid High rector and William J. Conway, Jr., alumni club president.

Forty Hour Devotions Set

Forty Hours Devotion will begin at Our Lady of Victory Church Sunday, Nov. 21 immediately following the 9:30 Mass and will conclude with devotions on Tuesday evening, Nov. 23.

The Blessed Sacrament will be on exposition each day of the Forty Hours and devotions consisting of Rosary & Benedictions will be held each evening at 8 p.m.

Parishioners are urged to make the Forty Hours, not only in reparation for all the terrible abuses committed against the Blessed Sacrament, but also to gain the many indulgences and spiritual benefits attached to this special time for "The Little French Church."

Knights of Columbus To Hold Tournament

Rochester Council, Knights of Columbus will hold a card tournament in their club rooms, Monday, Nov. 22 at 8 p.m.

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Funeral Services Held For Sister Mary Jerome

Solemn High Mass of Requiem was offered for Sister M. Jerome (nee Owen) at Nazareth Convent in Pittsford on Saturday, Nov. 13. Celebrant was the Rev. Philip E. McGhan, chaplain at St. Joseph Hospital, Elmira.

Other officers of the Mass were the Rev. William O'Brien, deacon; the Rev. William Shannon, master of ceremonies; the Rev. Eugene H. McFarland, censor bearer.

Sister Jerome, who died Nov. 11, 1954, celebrated her golden jubilee in religious life last May. She was 90 years of age. She was one of the original group of sisters who opened St. Joseph Hospital in Elmira on Sept. 24, 1904.

Sister is survived by four cousins, Sister Margaret Adelaide, St. Joseph Hospital administrator; Nelson E. and Robert Owen of Rochester; and Casper Owen of West Caldwell, N.J.



Members of the Third Order of St. Francis will meet at 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 28, at St. Patrick's Church, 454 Elmwood Ave. North under the direction of the pastor, the Rev. Leo C. Mooney.

IN THE SANCTUARY were the Rt. Rev. Magr. Joseph H. Geffel, Rt. Rev. Magr. Maynard A. Connell, Rt. Rev. Magr. John M. Duffy, and the Rev. William Naughton.

A large group of Sisters of St. Joseph, Members of St. Joseph Hospital Alumnae Association, student nurses from St. Joseph Hospital and Nazareth College formed a guard of honor.

Burial was in the Sisters' Plot of Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Rochester, officiating at the grave was Father McGhan and Magr. Geffel.

On Thursday morning, Nov. 11, Sister Jerome's body was removed from the Charles F. Hughes and Sons Funeral Home, 311 Lake St. to the first floor of Dunn Memorial Residence in Elmira.

SERVICES WERE conducted Friday at 8 a.m. by the Rev. Philip E. McGhan, hospital chaplain. Sacred in the Sanctuary was the Rev. William M. Cannon, pastor of St. Patrick Church, Corning. Assisting at the Mass were members of the Hospital Board of Directors, Sisters of St. Joseph Hospital and the Convents of Elmira as well as graduate nurses, student nurses and friends.

Endowed with "a quiet and gracious personality," Sister Jerome, by her kindness and understanding, endeared herself to all those with whom she came in contact through the years. This was the tribute paid by the hospital.

The care of the premises at Fondra, N. Y. has been taken over by members of the family "Lily of the Mohawks" has been entrusted to Franciscan Fathers. There is a simple Franciscan friary at Fondra where daily Mass is offered for the happy conclusion of the process for Kateri's canonization.

Torturers are urged to pray to her and for her eventual elevation to sainthood.

CWV Staff Elected, Dance Scheduled

Sacred Heart Post No. 1127, Catholic War Veterans, have elected Fred Demate as post commander. He succeeded Edward F. Plante in this office.

Other officers elected for the coming year are: 1st vice commander, John Donoghue; 2nd vice commander, Harold Stanton; 3rd vice commander, Frank Hummel; treasurer, Robert O'Connor; officer of the day, Trevor Duranti; welfare officer, John Conway; historian, John Discolli; judge advocate, Patrick Egan.

Members and friends will have an opportunity to meet their new officers at the post dance to be held at the Barnard Fire Exempt on Friday, Nov. 19.

Agnes B. Curtin Services Held

Requiem Mass was celebrated for Agnes B. Curtin, widow of Cornelius J. Curtin, on Tuesday, Nov. 4 by the Rev. Richard M. Quinn in Sacred Heart Cathedral. She died at her home, 434 Seneca Pkwy., Nov. 1, 1954. Blessing at the church and at the grave was given by His Excellency, Auxiliary Bishop Casey.

Mrs. Curtin was a member of the Catholic Women's Club and the Rosary Guild of the Cathedral. She headed the Curtin Insurance Agency since the death of her husband 24 years ago. She was a member of the Insurance Underwriters Board of Rochester.

Honorary Bearers were Edward Walsh, Thomas Hughes, Dr. John Foley, Martin Moll Jr., William Shudt, Leo Sasso. Bearers were William Donahde, Henry O'Neill, Frank Shudt, Ralph Young, David Curtin and Al Boylan.

Surviving are her daughter, Miss Mary Lou Curtin; two sons, Neil B. Curtin of Silver Springs, Md., and John W. Curtin of Rochester; a sister, Corrine M. Barnett; a brother, Joseph J. Barnett of Wilmette, Ill.; and four grandchildren.

Holy Name Society Hears Father Flynn

Geneva—The Rev. Patrick J. Flynn of Rochester was guest speaker at the supper meeting of the Holy Name Society of St. Francis de Sales parish, at 6:30 p.m. Thursday in the school hall.

Father Flynn is Diocesan moderator of the Holy Name Union and editor of the Catholic Courier-Journal, diocesan newspaper.

Paul Tracy was chairman of reservations.

Requiem Mass Held For Father Of Two Priests

Funeral services for John N. Wurzer, father of two priests of this diocese were held at Haubner and Stallknecht Funeral Home, 228 Jay St. and at Holy Family Church, Rochester, on Saturday, Nov. 13.

Mr. Wurzer, 81, died Nov. 10, 1954 in General Hospital, from injuries sustained in a traffic accident while walking to Mass.

Solemn Mass of Requiem was offered by the Rev. George J. Schmitt with the Rev. John J. Healy, deacon and the Rev. Joseph F. Reinhart, subdeacon.

A retired employee of an up-holstery firm, Mr. Wurzer was the father of the late Joseph Wurzer, pastor of Holy Ghost, Colchester and of the late Joseph Wurzer, pastor of Holy Family, Colchester, after serving as vice principal of Aquinas Institute and of the Rev. Michael Wurzer, one-time teacher of classic languages at Aquinas.

Mr. Wurzer came from his native Germany more than 65 years ago. He was in the habit of late years of assisting at two early morning Masses at Holy Family Church of which he had been a parishioner for more than half a century. His wife, Amelia, preceded him in death by only seven months.

SUBVIVING IN addition to Father Wurzer are another son, John G., a daughter, Mrs. Carl J. Zimmer; a brother, George Wurzer; a sister, Mrs. Emma Wurzer; four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Besides Father Wurzer, priests also attending the funeral Mass were the Reverend Fathers Raymond M. Wood, Robert M. Flaherty, Ignatius St. George, Albert J. Geiger, Joseph A. O'Reilly, C.S.B.; John H. O'Leary, C.S.B.; Francis E. Donoghue, R. I. Prince, C.S.B.; Orrin W. Feller, Leo J. Matuzewski, Joseph F. McCarthy, Frederick J. Zwerlein.

Faithfulness To Mass Listed As Forum Topic

The reasons why Catholics go to church so faithfully every Sunday and holiday will be investigated at next Monday's meeting of the Catholic Information Forum at Rochester's Seneca Hotel.

Director of the series, the Rev. Richard M. Quinn, announced that the Rev. Raymond Kenny of St. Andrew's Seminary will be the investigator and that the investigation will take the form of a lecture on the "Holy Sacrifice of the Mass."

The talk will be illustrated by colored slides showing the ceremonies of Holy Mass.

Last Monday, Father Quinn was the speaker in a talk explaining the meaning, the value, and the beauties of the two most frequently received Sacraments, Eucharist and Penance. The lecture was delivered to about 70 listeners.

Particular emphasis was laid on an attempt to remove the veil of mystery which seems to cloak the Confessional and the tabernacle for so many earnest non-Catholics. Both Sacraments were demonstrated to be not only given us by our Lord but also given as most powerful evidence of God's mercy toward His fallen creatures.

Frequent reception of both was stressed as the ideal for good Catholic living.

Father Quinn reminded those attending that the current lecture series is scheduled to conclude the Monday before Christmas. It will continue on Monday, Monday evening at 8 p.m. until that date.

Listeners are encouraged to ask questions at each meeting and free Catholic pamphlets are distributed.

Catholics are welcome to attend the remaining talks and are particularly urged to bring their non-Catholic relatives and friends as a means of giving them information on Catholic beliefs and practices.

Requiem Mass Held For Father Knaebel

Solemn Requiem Mass was celebrated for the Rev. Edward J. Knaebel, C.S.Sp., rector of the Church of Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament, Philadelphia, Pa., on Nov. 9 according to word received by Mr. and Mrs. Leo F. Zeller. He died suddenly on Nov. 7, 1954.

Father Knaebel was former head of the Holy Childhood Society and founder of the Holy Ghost Mission League. He was a frequent visitor to Rochester. His sister, Sister Urban, S.S.N.D., was at Holy Family Parish for more than 30 years.

Celebrant of the Mass was the Rev. Valentine Fandrey, C.S.Sp., the Rev. Daniel Dougherty, C.S.Sp., deacon; the Rev. Michael Carr, C.S.Sp., subdeacon; the Rev. Joseph McDonough, master of ceremonies. The Rev. Charles Capp, C.S.Sp., delivered the eulogy.

Burial was at Holy Ghost Missionary, C.O.I.I. e.g., Cornwell Heights, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Zeller attended the funeral.

Holy Redeemer Plans Festival

An Old Fashioned Thanksgiving Festival is being planned for Friday and Saturday, Nov. 19 and 20, at Holy Redeemer Parish from 7:45 to 12 p.m.

Women of the Sacred Heart and Rosary Society are baking cakes and cookies; men of the Holy Name Society and the Athletic Association are building the booths and the young people of the parish are busy decorating the hall. Among the attractions will be the novelty booth, candy booth, turkey and wine. All parishioners, former parishioners and friends are invited.

Other organizations of the parish participating are the C.Y.O., Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, the Sodality and the women's bowling league.

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