

Auburn Area Groups Plan Christmas Parties

Auburn—Catholic groups in the Auburn area have arranged various activities in preparation for Christmas. Announced to date are the following programs planned.

COURT-AUBURN G.D.A.

Auburn—December plans for Court-Auburn G.D.A., Catholic Daughters of America, include a "Food and Fancy" party scheduled for today and a Christmas supper meeting Monday, Dec. 13.

Mrs. Joseph P. Conroy and Mrs. Fred L. Blaisdell, chairman and co-chairman of the sale planned for today, from 10 to 5 at the Kennedy Hotel, Tracy Street, North St. Members of the committee include: Madeline Joseph, Bridget, Louis C. DeLoach, Edward J. Fennessy, James Kenny, Fred C. Surber, Joseph Wallace, John J. Walsh, Floyd J. Kreser, Oscar E. Kerstetter and the Misses Pauline Hoyer, Helen Lyons, Katherine Murphy and Ann McDonald.

The Rev. Joseph E. Gaynor, court chaplain, will give the grand of honor at the December dinner meeting at 8:30, Dec. 11 in the C. D. A. Home.

HOSPITAL GUILD PARTY

Auburn—Annual Christmas party of the Mercy Hospital Flower Guild will take place Tuesday, Dec. 14 at 8:30 p.m. in the Osborne Hotel. Mrs. Lynn O. Skiffington, president, and Mrs. William J. Kelly, secretary, will be in charge.

Mrs. Charles E. Dowd and Miss Mildred M. Donovan, chairman of the entertainment committee, has arranged the following program: vocal solo, Mrs. Paul J. English, song and piano numbers, Linda Perry, Gilbert, Carol Hoffman, Ireland Kruger, Joyce Miller and Linda Wren.

Mrs. Clarence Mayhall will be the accompanist for the evening playing for the first organ.

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Sodality Accepts New Members

Geneva—New members of the Sodality were received in St. Stephen Church, Geneva, Sunday by the Rev. Dr. Joseph Hogan, director. The Rev. Thomas Burke, S.J., addressed the new members.

David Maslyn, project, and Elaine McAvoy, secretary participated in the ceremony. The candidates received several months of instruction during which they were instructed and practiced the rules of the Sodality.

New members are: Ann Brennan, Edith Calabrese, Jean Cosgrove, Mary Lou Groden, Mary Hamill, Sandra Howard, Joann Hurley, Andrea Jenkins, Vicki Long, Elizabeth Lynch, Elizabeth Madigan, Mary McNeerney, Joanne McNulty, Carol Meehan, Linda Merkel, Kathleen Moore, Patricia Noone, Marie Priano, Shirley Rennyson, Dolores Shella, Judith Sullivan, Katherine Taylor, Judith Trester, Suzanne McCormick and Judy Rice.

The Band Played On!

Pat had just undergone a major operation and was slowly returning to consciousness in one of the big city hospitals. A block of so away, the band of St. Peter's school was proceeding down the street with drums rolling and brasses blaring. As the mist cleared from Pat's brain and the sound of the music floated in, he asked the nurse:

"What are those sweet sounds that I hear in the distance?"
"That," replied the nurse, "is St. Peter's band."
"Glory be to God," cried Pat. "It made it!"
—Ligourian

Archbishop Decrees Mourning in Geneva

Archbishop Daniel Mannix of Melbourne was invited with the insignia of the Order of Merit of the Italian Republic at a formal ceremony at his residence here.

Triple Cities Pilgrimage Attended By 65 Members

Owego—Approximately 65 members of the Rosary and Altar Society of St. Patrick's made a pilgrimage to shrines of Our Lady in the Triple Cities. The motorcade left St. Patrick's at 2 p.m. and the first church visited was Our Lady of Good Counsel in Endicott. From here the pilgrimage went to Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine at St. Joseph Church, Endicott and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament was given by the pastor of the church, Fr. From Endicott, the next church visited was St. Mary, Binghamton. The Rev. Bruce A. Ammerling, assistant pastor of St. Patrick's and moderator for the society accompanied the group and recited the Rosary, the Marian Year prayer and prayers for the peace of the world.

Girls' Choir Lined

Owego—The girls' choir of St. Patrick School will again provide entertainment for the residents of the Tloga County Home on the occasion of the annual Christmas visit of the Catholic Daughters of America under the direction of the Apostolate of the Aged. This year will mark the fourth which the girls' choir have entertained the people at the home. Mrs. Marlon Davis, chairman of the committee, announces that gifts will be presented to each resident of the home and refreshments will be served. The visit will be made on Wednesday, Dec. 15.

Award Dinner Set

Owego—For the second consecutive year, "The Catholic Daughter of the Year" will be announced at the Christmas dinner sponsored by the Court St. Rose of Lima, Catholic Daughters of America to be held on Thursday, Dec. 16.

A turkey dinner will be served by the Women of the Moose at the Moose Home, Lake St. Miss Emilie Stuhlmiller is general chairman of the committee completing the arrangements. The award of the Catholic Daughter certificate will be announced by Mrs. Helen Knox, grand regent.

Holy Name Reception

Owego—A reception of new members of the Holy Name Society will be held at the home of Mrs. Helen Knox, grand regent, on Wednesday, Dec. 15.

Auburn Knights Mark First Friday



AT SPEAKERS TABLE of First Friday Supper Club meeting of Auburn Council, Knights of Columbus are: (from left) Rev. Charles L. McCarthy and Rev. Irvin C. Sullivan of St. Mary Church; Edwin M. Nolan, grand knight; Rev. Joseph T. Gaynor of St. Francis Church, speaker and Rev. Robert J. Smith of St. Mary Church, Auburn. The club meets on the First Friday for men who receive Holy Communion on that day.

Ithaca Parish Collects 4000 Lbs. Of Clothing

Ithaca—Nearly 4000 pounds of clothing was collected at Immaculate Conception Church, Ithaca, during the annual Bishop's Thanksgiving week clothing drive.

Members of the Rosary and Altar Society, the Parent-Teacher Association, the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women and the Catholic Daughters assisted in sorting and packing the clothing. The boxes were made ready for shipment to the distribution center by members of the Knights of Columbus. Rev. Otto Vogt was director of the drive for Ithaca. He has expressed his grateful appreciation to those who contributed and to all who worked to make the drive successful. Mrs. Carl Wall was chairman of the committee.

Christmas Parties Set By Geneva Organizations

Geneva—Organizations in the Geneva area are making plans for their holiday activities and extending Christmas cheer. Accounts of their plans are reported below.

COURT GENEVA G.D.A.

Geneva—Court Geneva, Catholic Daughters of America, will hold a Christmas party at 8 p.m., Dec. 20 in Women's Building.

Members will bring gifts of money for the Christmas program for the Ontario County Home in Hopewell. Mrs. Sue Malone is chairman.

Author

Announcement was made of a meeting of the Blue Cross Circle of the Catholic Medical Missions in DeSales High School.

COMMITTEE FOR the social meeting which followed the novena services in St. Francis de Sales and St. Stephen's churches, included: Genevieve Bowman, chairman, and Peggy Riley, co-chairman, and Eleanor McGulgan, Marie Kelly, Mary Gallagher, Martha Diale, Josephine Bloom, Eleanor Antenucci, Rita Goney, Irene McCormick, Rita Donahue, Margaret Hogan, Armeta Gallagher, Pauline Gavin, Betty Riley, Mary Tracy, Virginia Tracy and Betty Sheridan.

DeSales Teacher Moves To Buffalo

Geneva—Mrs. Howard Kieren, resigned as physical education teacher at DeSales High School in Geneva last week to move to Buffalo where her husband's business is now located.

Father, Scott, Jesuit, Dies

New York—(NC)—A solemn Requiem Mass was offered at the Church of St. Francis Xavier for Father Martin J. Scott, S.J., 81, author of more than 20 books and numerous pamphlets who died (November 28) at St. Vincent's hospital here.

Wayland Mothers Club Hears Sister St. Mark

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Theologian Named Domestic Prelate

Springfield, Mass.—(NC)—The Very Rev. Msgr. Joseph C. Reinton, of Washington, D. C., editor of the American Ecclesiastical Review, has been elevated to the rank of Domestic Prelate by His Holiness Pope Pius XII. It was announced here by Bishop Christopher J. Weldon of Springfield.

Employer-Union Arbitrator

Philadelphia—(NC)—"I'm not interested in a batting average," a priest who has acted as a port arbitrator here between longshoremen and port employers said.

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The attorney, Abraham E. Freedman also accused port employers of by-passing union-employer grievance talks and resorting too often to arbitration.

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A RETREAT

A RETREAT is planned for January and anyone interested may contact one of the officers. Library books purchased by the Mothers Club for the school were on display.

The attendance contest is a tie between the third and seventh grade. The grade with the highest percentage of mothers attending will receive a field trip at the end of the year. The fifth grade had the highest percentage of attendance for December.

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The Rev. Hugh A. Bracy, assistant pastor of St. Mary of the Lake, Watkins Glen will be guest preacher.

The day's activities will conclude with a spaghetti supper being served in the hall at 5:30 p.m. The committee in charge includes Michael Doonan, Theresa Proulx, Sandra Seltzer and Stephen Kelly.

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