

Dr. Christian Rites Held At St. Patrick's

Dr. Frank Lamar Christian, 79, of 610 Edgewood Drive Elmira, retired superintendent of Elmira Reformatory and a world renowned figure in the field of penology, died Tuesday, Oct. 18, 1955 in Ogden Arnot Hospital, Elmira.

Dr. Christian was received into the Catholic Church during his last illness by the Rev. Francis J. Erb, assistant pastor of St. Patrick Church, Elmira. He received the Sacrament of Confirmation at the hands of the Rt. Rev. Magr. William J. Brien, V.F., dean of Chemung-Schuyler, deanery.

Solemn Mass of Requiem was offered in St. Patrick Church, Elmira, Friday, Oct. 21 with full military honors after services at MacPherson Funeral Home, Elmira. Dr. Christian was a veteran of World War I.

Led by Col. Leroy Weaver, incumbent superintendent, and members of the institution staff stood in ranks as the flag-draped casket was borne into the church by the reformatory associates, followed by a double file of honorary pallbearers.

The celebrant of the Solemn High Requiem Mass was the Rt. Rev. William J. Brien, V.F., of St. Patrick's. He was assisted by the Rev. Francis Erb as deacon, and the Rev. James Martin as sub-deacon.

In the sanctuary were the Rt. Rev. Magr. Francis J. Lane, long time Catholic chaplain at the reformatory, the Rev. Thomas J. Toole, the Rev. Walter Szepepanik and the Rev. Leo G. Schwab.

FOR 22 YEARS from 1917 to 1939, Dr. Christian was superintendent of Elmira Reformatory. He retired after being severely attacked by two inmates in an escape attempt.

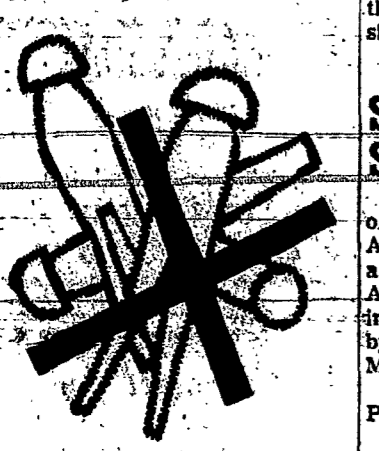
He returned to the Reformatory to serve as a medical consultant during World War II. During his long career, he became famed as a penologist and humanitarian. During the Auburn Prison riots he was called there to help restore order. He was among the first to introduce psychiatry and psychology into the treatment of offenders.

Frank L. Christian was born at Waterloo, Feb. 23, 1876, the son of John and Maria Hayes. He graduated in 1894 from Waterloo High School and in 1897 from the University of New York. He entered Cornell Medical College and was graduated in 1903 as a member of the first class.

HIS CAREER in penology covered nearly 40 years. It started in 1901 with his appointment as surgeon in East New York Reformatory at Napanoch. After six months he was transferred to Elmira.

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FRATER DAMIEN MILLIKEN, O.S.B., Benedictine student at St. Paul's Abbey, Newton, N.J., (extreme left) and Sister Mary Cornelius, R.S.M., Mercy Sister of Our Lady of Mercy High School, Rochester, brother and sister, met at the Assumptionists' booth at the Scenerama. Also shown above are Patricia Griffith, next to Frater Damien, the Rev. Edward Moreau, A.A., Assumptionist Father from Worcester, Mass., and Norma Heberger, next to Sister Cornelius, dressed in Russian and Mexican costumes, representative of the mission fields covered by the Assumptionist Fathers. Frater Damien and Sister Mary Cornelius are children of Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius, J. Milliken of St. Patrick's parish, Elmira. Two other children are also in religion: Sister Marie, S.S.J., St. Joseph Sister stationed at St. Joseph Hospital, Elmira, and Sister M. Rosalia, R.S.M., Mercy Sister at Mercy High School. (Thomas Casey photo)

Elmira Library Plans Special Program Sunday

By MARY A. NEWSOME

Mrs. Katherine Lynch, president of St. Christopher Library, Elmira announced a special program for Sunday, Oct. 30 at 4 p.m. in the library.

Guest speaker will be the Rev. Albert V. Ryan of Rochester. Father Ryan is widely known to Elmira residents as an assistant pastor at St. Peter and Paul Parish and more recently at St. Mary Parish, Elmira.

He will give a book review on "Our Lady of the Cape" by James G. Shaw which will be followed by slides on the Shrine of the Cap de la Madeleine in Canada. This is one of the most beautiful shrines to Our Lady located at Three Rivers on the St. Lawrence.

A musical program will be followed by a reception and refreshments. Miss Marian McInerney is general chairman.

The library is located at E. Church and State Streets and extends an invitation to all to attend.

Columbus Ladies Set Breakfast

The committee on arrangements for the annual Communion breakfast of Elmira Ladies of Columbus has been announced as follows: Mesdames Paul Szymanski, Edward A. Clauss, John D'Andrea, Thomas Muccigrosso, Victor Calaman and Lee Souko.

The breakfast will be held Sunday at 9:45 a.m. in the Mark Twain Hotel. Members will receive Holy Communion in their respective parishes.

Rev. L. Emmett Davis, assistant pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Church will be the guest speaker.

Piano selections will be played by Miss Ann Marie Tamara.

Evening Mass Set in Elmira

An evening Mass will be celebrated in St. Anthony Church, Elmira on the Feast of All Saints, Tuesday, Nov. 1—a holy day of obligation.

The Rev. William A. Burns, pastor said that the Mass will be offered immediately following the regular Novena services in honor of Our Blessed Mother and St. Anthony.

All Saints Feastday Masses Set in Elmira

Schedule of Masses in the Elmira area for the Feast of All Saints, Tuesday, November 1, a holy day of obligation is:

- St. Patrick's—5:30, 6:15, 7, 8, 9, 12:15 noon and 5:30 p.m.
- St. Mary's—5:30, 7, 8, 9, 12:15 noon and 5:30 p.m.
- St. Peter and Paul's—6, 7, 8, 9, 12:15 noon and 5:30 p.m.
- Our Lady of Lourdes—6, 7, 8, 9, 12:15 noon and 5:30 p.m.
- St. Anthony's—6, 7, 8, 9, 12:15 noon and 5:30 p.m.
- St. Gabriel's—5:30, 7, 8 and 5:30 p.m.
- St. Cecilia's—5:30, 7:15 and 8:15
- St. John the Baptist—7, 8 and 5 p.m.
- St. Charles Borromeo—6, 7, 8, 12:15 noon and 7:30 p.m.
- St. Mary's, Horseheads—6, 7, 8 and 12:15 noon.

Immaculate Heart Society Plans Communion Breakfast

Members of the Immaculate Heart Society of St. Peter and Paul parish, Elmira will hold a Communion breakfast in the parish hall on Sunday, Nov. 6 following reception of Holy Communion by the group at the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

The Rev. Joseph F. Hogan, Chaplain at Notre-Dame high school will be the guest speaker. An invitation to all women of the parish was extended by officers of the Society.

A brief business session will be held after the breakfast. Officers of the Society are Mrs. Joseph Woodhouse, president; Mrs. Robert Bacon, vice president; Mrs. Gerald Steiner, secretary; Mrs. John Dowdle, treasurer.

Court St. Rita Sets Masquerade

The annual Halloween masquerade party sponsored by Court St. Rita 137, Catholic Daughters of America will be held in the Court rooms on Monday, Oct. 31 at 8 p.m.

Mrs. James H. Brown and Mrs. Lynn Coleman are chairmen and will be assisted by these committees: decorations, Mesdames Harry Copeland, William Holter, Leo Hogan and Miss May Hoseney; entertainment and games, Mesdames J. C. Huckon, Edward Collins, Edward Connelly, John Coughlin, Jeremiah Convey and Miss Helen Conyngnam; refreshments, Mesdames Harry Clifford, Daniel Collins, Edward Hennessy, William Hubert, Miss Nelle Hogan; music, Mrs. Charles Hughes.

Nursing School Enrolls First Negro

St. Joseph, Mo. (RNS)—The School of Nursing at St. Joseph's Hospital, operated here by the Daughters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul, has enrolled the first Negro student nurse in its more than 50-year history.

She is Maxine Jones of Atchison, Kan. Miss Jones, who had begun similar studies last September at Mount St. Scholastica College in Atchison, recently applied for admission to the School of Nursing here, and her application was immediately accepted by the Sisters.

Nun Named

Los Angeles (NC)—Gov. Goodwin J. Knight of California, announced the appointment of Sister Austin, as a member of the State Board of Nurse Examiners.

Lourdes Parish To Receive School Bids, Convent Planned

Construction bids will be received on Nov. 15 for the new parochial school of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Elmira, plans and specifications for which are now completed.

The Rev. Leo G. Schwab, pastor, said that detailed building plans were approved by the Rochester Diocesan building committee.

Construction of the school is expected to begin soon after the bids are opened.

FATHER SCHWAB said that plans call for the school to be opened in the fall of 1956.

Leo E. Conidine of Haskell, Constance and Haskell, architects for the project, said bids have been asked of an invited list of contractors.

Estimates will be filed on general construction, heating and ventilating, plumbing and electrical wiring.

The school will be located north of W. First St. at the rear of the church, which is at W. Church St. and Demarest Pkwy. in West Elmira.

PLANS FOR the Convent are being prepared and are expected to be ready in the near future. The Convent will be located opposite the new school.

Plans were recently revised to provide for separate school and convent buildings. Original plans called for the convent to be on the second floor of the school.

The school building will comprise eight classrooms, a kindergarten, playroom, library, audio visual room and offices.

The two-story convent, across the street from the school, will have "sleeping" accommodations for eight nuns, a parlor, refectory, chapel and community room.

Provision is being made for a possible eight-room addition to the parochial school in future years if increased enrollment brings the demand for more space.

Bishop Casey Presides At Parish Anniversary

His Excellency, Auxiliary Bishop Casey presided at a Solemn High Mass marking the 50th anniversary of St. Cecilia Church, Elmira last Sunday. The Rev. Arthur C. Smith, pastor, celebrated the Mass.

Bishop Casey congratulated members of the parish and told how many people were baptized at the church, married at the church and had their funeral there. He told of the many vocations that had come from the parish and expressed the hope that there will be more.

The following priests participated with Father Smith in the celebration of the Mass: Deacon, the Rev. Thomas J. Toole of St. Mary Parish; sub-deacon, the Rev. Philip A. McGhan, chaplain at St. Joseph Hospital; master of ceremonies, the Rev. Earl M. Tobin of St. Cecelia Church and second master, the Rev. David B. Singerhoff of St. Mary Church, Horseheads.

THE TWO chaplains for Bishop Casey were the Rt. Rev. Magr. William J. Brien, V.F., of St. Patrick Church and the Rt. Rev. Magr. Francis J. Lane, chaplain of the Elmira Reformatory.

Several nuns who formerly taught at St. Cecilia School attended the service. Children of St. Cecilia School under the direction of Sister Carolea sang the responses of the Mass. Sister Lucia was organist.

The church was established on May 5, 1904, by the late Bishop Bernard J. McQuaid. The Rev. Jeremiah Maley was named pastor of the church on July 1, 1904, and offered the first Mass for the new parish on July 10 of the same year.

Happy Birthday Bishop!

His Excellency Bishop Kearney's birthday, today, Oct. 28 gives the Courier Journal an opportunity to extend to him heartfelt birthday greetings with this issue.

The Bishop was born on Oct. 28, 1884 and has reached his 71st birthday.

Within a few weeks he will be marking his 18th anniversary on Nov. 11 as Bishop of Rochester. This Diocese has much for which to be thankful for a leader who has accomplished so much in those 18 years and during his whole life.

Prayers of the faithful of his diocese are asked for him on this, his natal day.

Cub Mothers' Group To Plan Dance

Mothers' Auxiliary of Cub Scouts of St. Margaret Mary's Church will meet Thursday, Nov. 3 at 8:30 p.m. in the school hall.

Mrs. L. Van Caskie, president, will preside and plans for an Old Fashioned Square Dance to be held Nov. 28 under the chairmanship of Mrs. B. Rosel, assisted by Mrs. B. Reinberger, will be discussed.

High Mass On Radio

The 11 o'clock High Mass on Sunday at St. Charles Borromeo Church, Elmira Heights will be broadcast over the radio facilities of station WENY.

The Rev. Urban Gillis, S.A. will be the celebrant of the Mass and Rev. Joseph C. Merkel, pastor will preach the sermon. Cornelius J. Milliken will be the narrator.

Parish Mission Closes Sunday At St. Peter, Paul's

The Parish Mission at St. Peter and Paul Church, Elmira, will close Sunday, the Feast of Christ the King, at 2 p.m.

The week's Mission is being conducted by two Franciscan Fathers from New York City, Rev. John Barnagant, Janco, O.F.M., and Rev. Augustus J. Hopkins, O.F.M.

The closing of the Mission will consist of:—The Mission sermon. —The renewal of the Baptismal vows. —The imparting of the Papal Blessing. —The blessing of all religious articles. —Solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. —Litany of the Sacred Heart and Dedication of the Human Race to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

The children's Mission will close Saturday with Holy Mass at 8 a.m. At that time the children will receive the special blessing of the Mission.

Rev. Hubert A. Bisky, pastor is grateful to the parishioners and to the missionaries for their wonderful cooperation in making this parish mission such an encouraging success. He said today:

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