

GOD LOVE YOU!

By MUST REV. FULTON J. SHEEN

"BEAR the burden of one another's failings; then you will be fulfilling the law of Christ." Our Lord leaves nothing to feeling, emotions, or arbitrary duty; rather a law is laid on us to bear the hunger, the sufferings, the ignorance, the pettiness of others. The Son of God bore our flesh, our cross, our sins, making reparation for us. We must follow his example. We can, of course, shake off the burden of caring for the nation world, but we will find that there will be a heavier burden for us to bear—namely, the yoke of self! This is precisely the very yoke. Our Lord asks us all to get rid of the yoke of our egotism and selfishness, which He calls the "heavy burdens." His yoke, on the contrary, He says is light and sweet.

Our Blessed Lord throws a terrific responsibility on strength—whether it be physical, financial, intellectual or moral. The strong, in whatever sphere their power lies, should imitate Simon of Cyrene and take on the burdens of the stumbling—share their fears, anxieties, troubles, and heart-sinkings, even to the point of foregoing the privilege of strength in order to understand their needs.

Our 100,000 missionaries bear the burdens of the pagans. What do they get out of this except the ineffable joy of suffering—of being sharers in His Crucifixion, that they may also share in the fellowship of the Resurrection? Why not accompany your novena of prayers with a novena of cross-bearing? Each day of the novena deny yourself some little thing—a taxi ride, a soft drink, an evening newspaper, a bar of candy—and then, at the end of the nine days, send your sacrifice to the Holy Father through the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. In this way you will help our missionaries bear the burden of carrying 1,000,000 pagans! As a Mother takes her child's pain as her own, so you will take on the agony of our mission lands. Burden at home will become lighter as you assume the burdens of those away from home. And your prayers will be answered more quickly when your shoulders bear a cross as your lips recite a prayer.

GOD LOVE YOU to Mrs. T. M. "Enclosed find \$5 which I promised to the Holy Father's Mission if I could walk again. I fell and broke my hip, but now am able to walk to church. I am eighty years old." . . . to the I. B. M. machine operators who, for the past month and a half, have been collecting their pennies and sent us \$15. . . . to the C. High School. "Our class decided to have a cake sale for the Missions. Here is our profit—\$165." . . . to G. S. for \$2. "I am six years old. I just lost my first two teeth, and this morning I found this money under my pillow. I am sending it to you for the poor children who might not have a fairy godmother."

St. Valentine, the patron of sweethearts, gave his love only to God. Send a Valentine to Our Lord and Our Lady by helping the Holy Father's Mission. Your offering for a GOD LOVE YOU MEDAL goes to help our missionaries throughout the world.

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Cut out this column, pin your sacrifice to it, and send it to the Most Rev. Fulton J. Sheen, National Director of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, 308 Fifth Avenue, New York 17, N.Y.; or your Diocesan Director, Very Rev. Mgr. John S. Randall, 50 Chestnut Street, Rochester 4, New York.

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ST. JAMES PARISH LEADERS in a \$125,000 campaign to build a new convent center with pastor. In photo (from left) are: James R. Wisner, Bernard J. Flaherty, Leon T. Ward, the Rev. Francis M. Feeney, pastor; William M. Mulcahy, Walter F. Moran and Edmund M. Principe. Dedication in the parish is scheduled Sunday, March 4. (Tom Casey Photo)

\$125,000 Convent Fund Opening At St. James

Opening of a fund-campaign, funds to be used in construction of a new permanent convent in St. James Parish, was announced today by the Rev. Francis M. Feeney, pastor. Goal of the drive is \$125,000 in pledges, payable over a 36 months period.

At the present time the Sisters of Mercy who teach in St. James School are housed in temporary quarters in the school. Rapid growth of the school population makes it necessary to convert the temporary convent into classrooms, the pastor said.

Actual solicitation of funds will take place during a two-hour period on Sunday, March 4. Preliminary work has already begun and an executive committee was selected.

HEADING THE drive as general chairman is Leon T. Ward. Assisting Chairman Ward as co-chairman are Bernard J. Flaherty, Edmund M. Principe and

Nazareth Reports Dean's List

Sister Rose Angela, Dean of Nazareth College, has announced the Dean's List as a result of the January examinations.

Sonnettes: Mary L. McGowan, Mary Lee Bishop, Rita Zlotnik, Shirley Aberton, Joan Shaw, Margaret J. McCullough, Patricia Fromm, June Palmer, Regina Wright, Mary Jo Cupolo.

Junior: Beverly Murphy, Dorothy Fletcher.

Sophomores: Bette Gantert, Karen Boy, Aurelle Vall, Joanne Brown, Lucille Tomczyk, Jeanette Martino, Elizabeth Racz, Martina Pang, Mary Ann Finnegan, Geraldine Zicari, Nancy Shalrer, Candice Pills, Molly Hartnett, Prudence Coeitch.

Freshmen: Elizabeth Boyle, Virginia Robert, Sheila Tahan, Rosalie Leonardo, Leah Wehlag, Kenise Murphy, Carol Black, Loretta Denner, Joan Murray, Elizabeth Marsh.

DCCW Deanery Officers Presented At Luncheon

Geneva — New officers of the Ontario-Seneca-Yates Deanery Council of the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women were presented at the first of a new series of First Saturday Luncheons, Feb. 4 at Hotel Seneca, Geneva.

Mrs. William Noonan, Newark, president; Mrs. Leo Geneco, Canandaigua, vice president; Miss Edith Chacchia, Geneva, treasurer; and Mrs. Harry Weibold, Newark, secretary, presented by Miss Regina Sweney, past president.

MRS. NOONAN welcomed the 100 women present and asked their cooperation in "making this a banner year in council work."

The Rev. Emmett Halloran of Newark, new moderator of the council, asked the women to continue the work of the Council "in the same splendid spirit of past years."

The Very Rev. Mgr. Joseph J. Sullivan, of Ovid spoke on "Rome of Christendom" and took his hearers on a Rome tour via the Appian Way.

After describing the major Basilicas, especially St. Peter's, Monsignor Sullivan urged visiting Rome to experience the inspiration and sense of religion present in all parts of the city. He explained the Catacombs.

NEXT MONTH'S luncheon will be held in Canandaigua, it was announced.

Mrs. Howard Groden was luncheon chairman with the following on reservations committee: Mrs. Thomas Jennings, Miss Elizabeth Kane, Geneva; Mrs. William Noonan, Newark; Mrs. Alice Boardman, Shortsville; Mrs. Leo Geneco, Canandaigua; Mrs. C. Sprong,odus and Sodus Point, Mrs. Belle DiVito, Clyde; Mrs. William Dannahe, Stanley; Mrs. Harry Payne, Wolcott.

Mercy Guild To Open Membership Campaign

Mercy Guild of the Little Flower will open its annual membership drive at a business meeting Tuesday, Feb. 14 at 12:30 p.m. in the Catholic Women's Club on Alexander St.

Guests will be Mother General Mary Magdalen, R.S.M., Mother Mary Bride, R.S.M., of the Mercy Motherhouse. Mrs. Walter Hickory, president, will greet the guests.

A TEA WILL precede the business session with Mrs. Walter Callahan and Mrs. Edward Belkirc pouring.

Mrs. J. Howard Fitzgerald and Mrs. Joseph Generaty will be assisted in the drive by the Mes. James Robert Benedict, Bryan Ford, Belkirc, Francis Kalb, Aloysius, Lemhard, Lawrence, Martin, Engelbert Sereus, and Harold Whitefish.

Members of the guild receive the benefits of Masses and daily prayers of the Sisters of Mercy. Funds raised by the guild are turned over to the Mercy Motherhouse building fund.

First Communion Class Listed In Clifton Springs

Clifton Springs—A First Communion class will be formed at St. Felix Church following the 9:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, Feb. 12. Children of the parish who will be seven years old by Trinity

GUEST AND PRESIDENT of Mercy Guild of the Little Flower at opening of the annual membership drive will be Mother General Mary Magdalen, of the Sisters of Mercy and Mrs. Walter E. B. Hickory shown above. The drive opens at Catholic Women's Club Feb. 14 at 12:30 p.m.

St. Elizabeth Guild Dessert Bridge Set

St. Elizabeth Guild will hold a dessert bridge Tuesday, Feb. 14 at 1 p.m. at the Guild House on Field St. Members and friends are invited.

Mrs. J. P. Rush is honorary chairman, Mrs. Patrick McCarthy, chairman and Mrs. Joseph Hagie, cochairman.

St. Felix Holy Name Elects New Officers

Clifton Springs—Frank DeMarco was recently elected president of the Holy Name Society of St. Felix Church. Other officers working with DeMarco for 1956 are: Francis Walters, vice president; Thomas Loughlin, secretary; Alfred Rivette, treasurer.

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