

# GOD LOVE YOU!

By MOST REV. FULTON J. SHEEN

ONE of the most difficult parables of Our Lord to understand is that of the unrighteous steward. It was actually a story of two rogues—not one. One rogue was the steward who defrauded the master; the other the master who condoned the sin of the steward. The steward, when he discovered that his crooked dealings were found out by the master, said "to dig he was unable and to beg he was ashamed."

So he decided to defraud the master a little more. He called in all those who owed his master debts and reduced one debt 50 percent, and another 30 percent. His master found it out and commended him for his "cleverness." Our Lord did not commend him, as some think.

Our Lord now drew this moral: "The children of this world are more prudent after their own fashion than the children of light." In other words, business men who live only for this world are wiser than those who have faith and who are supposed to live for the next world. The steward and the master loved money and they used it well from the standpoint of this world. The parable was a rebuke to us for not showing more acumen as regards eternal things.

Our Lord now proceeds to tell us how to make use of money. My counsel to you is, "Make use of your base wealth to win yourself friends, who when you leave it behind will welcome you into eternal habitations."

Money, in other words, is an instrument for good or for evil. Nothing reveals the thinking of a person more than his attitude toward money. Our Lord says, use it to make friends. Help the refugees from Vietnam; help the Indians build a chapel; relieve the sufferings of the lepers in "My Name."

A man says—I have a little money and I want to use it for myself. Our Lord says—Use it for others; make friends with it. Then when you die they will be your intercessors—they will plead for you on the day of Judgment. The Missions will rise up in your defense.

We know of one man who always told his children to pray for the missionaries; but his little son felt that, while praying for the missions was an excellent thing to do, God would be more disposed to answer those prayers when they were accompanied by sacrifices; so the little boy was saving pennies and giving them to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. He said one day to his father: "Do you know what I was thinking while you were praying? If I had your bank book, I would have one half of your prayers answered!"

GOD LOVE YOU to A. J. Y. "There is nothing I enjoy more than sitting down after dinner and smoking a good ten cent cigar. I abstained from my cigar for ten days to send this \$1 to the Missions so some poor soul can have a good dinner." . . . to R. H. "Enclosed please find \$10, which my little girl received for selling her bicycle. Please use it for your poor children in the Missions." . . . to M. F. G. and friend who, instead of exchanging gifts, decided to give the gift to the Missions.

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**DISTINGUISHED LAYMEN** are honored by Monroe County Catholic War Veterans at Hotel Sheraton, Sunday, Feb. 13. Mrs. John Carroll, (left) receives plaque from Miss Bernice Trunk, auxiliary president, for outstanding laywoman of 1956; Peter J. Doyle wears medal presented by County Commander John L. Driscoll. (Tom Casey Photo)

## Catholic War Veterans Hear Bishop Kearney; Present Annual Awards

"Follow the pattern set by St. Ignatius Loyola, a great Catholic war veteran in every sense of the word," His Excellency Bishop Kearney urged members of Monroe County Chapter, Catholic War Veterans and auxiliaries at a Mass, Sunday in St. Joseph Church, Rochester.

Noting the coming observance of the 400th anniversary of St. Ignatius' death, the Bishop said this Saint was for the things the CVV stood, personal sanctification and action in defending the Church.

The veterans were urged to be vigilant of the men chosen in public office, to continue their campaign against indecent literature and to be exemplary influences in their communities.

One of the parts of the plan of Communism to weaken this country, the Bishop warned, is to undermine it morally. Combating this program, the Catholic War Veterans are doing a distinct service for the souls of the young in America, he said.

**MORE THAN 300** persons assisted at the Mass and attended a breakfast following in Hotel Sheraton.

Highlight of the breakfast program presided over by County Commander John L. Driscoll with William Cronin of Sacred Heart Post, toastmaster was presentation of the annual awards to a man and woman as the two outstanding Catholic lay persons in Monroe County for 1956.

Recipient of the CVV Medal presented by County Commander Driscoll was Peter J. Doyle of 60 Potter Place, Fairport, a trustee of the Church of the Assumption of Our Lady, Fairport, for 40 years. He was cited for establishing a cooperative loan association in his parish and for leadership in securing funds for a Catechetical Center and for Cemetery maintenance.

Mrs. John Carroll, 216 Lexington Ave. of Holy Rosary parish was presented the Auxiliary Plaque as outstanding laywoman by Miss Bernice Trunk, county auxiliary president.

A member of the Board of Directors of Holy Rosary Church Rosary Society and a charter member of the Mo-cubs, Mrs. Carroll was cited for church and civic activity.

Mother of 12 children, she received the award in the presence

of all her children including her equipped to withstand the psychological war the Reds waged against them."

He reminded the group that "it is especially important that we as Catholic War Veterans remember how diabolical Communism really is. In Korea I met Catholic missionaries who had been prisoners of both the Japanese and the Chinese Reds. They agreed that the privations and sufferings inflicted by the Reds never been equalled."

The Rev. Leonard A. Kelly, pastor of Church of the Assumption, Fairport and a former Navy chaplain spoke in behalf of Mr. Doyle. Introduced also was Paul J. Dolan, past state commander, formerly of Buffalo and now of Rochester who was recipient of the Order of St. Sebastian, highest award granted a layman by the Catholic War Veterans.

Former recipients of the Laymen's Award Medal and Plaque were present at reserved tables.

## 2 Lay Persons Cited For Outstanding Effort

Citations accompanying the Catholic Veterans Medal and the Auxiliary plaque awarded at the Communion Breakfast in Hotel Sheraton Sunday, follow:

**PETER J. DOYLE** has assisted these parishioners need financial help through the formation of a parish-wide cooperative loan association. He has taken full responsibility for the maintenance of the Catholic Cemetery in Fairport, assuming much of the financial burden himself. He has secured from the public school district, through personal contact with board members, the use of a public school building, in the absence of a parochial school, for the parish Religious Vacation School conducted during the summer of 1955. He has served faithfully as a trustee of the church for 40 years, and he has headed the Special Gifts Committee in a recent drive for funds to build a School of Religion in Assumption Parish.

He has taken a personal interest in and has proved of invaluable assistance to his parish in the parish building maintenance program, oftentimes at a great inconvenience to himself.

**MRS. JOHN CARROLL**, 216 Lexington Avenue, was named the Outstanding Catholic Laywoman of the year. Mrs. Carroll is the mother of 12 children. Six of her sons served in the armed forces. She is a widow, her youngest child being 16 years old. Mrs. Carroll is a member of the Board of Directors of the Rosary Society of Holy Rosary Church. She is a charter member of the Mo-cubs, an organization composed of mothers of Cub Scouts at Holy Rosary Church. She had devoted much of her free time to assisting public school children to attend the classes in religion under the released time program.

She has made over two thousand rosaries for distribution among the armed forces. Mrs. Carroll has devoted a total of five hundred and thirty-one hours to Nurses' Aide and maternity work at the Rochester General Hospital over a period of three years where she has been a very willing and capable worker.

She has assisted at the Rochester Regional Office of the American Red Cross as an aide; she has donated twenty-seven pints of blood to the Red Cross Blood Bank, and she has spent much of her free time during the war years at the U.S.O. canteen in the New York Central Railroad building.

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Monroe County Chapter, Catholic War Veterans feel that Mrs. Carroll is an outstanding example of what a Catholic Laywoman should be.

A man with God is always in the majority.—John Knox.

## Women's Club International Night To Feature Foreign Student Panel

A panel of three students all in the dress of their native lands will feature International Night of the Business Women's Group of the Catholic Women's Club, Tuesday, Feb. 28 at 6:30 p.m. in the Clubhouse, 215 Alexander St.

Miss Frances McGrath and Miss Marian Leaty are co-chairmen of dinner arrangements. Program chairman, Miss Florence Kreckel will present Miss Joan Mans as the panel moderator.

Miss Mans, president of the International Relations Club, is a she is majoring in English on an honor scholarship. She visited Europe on a student tour in 1954.

**PANEL MEMBERS** will be nursing as a means of helping her people brought her to America.

Miss Anisia Kozyk, born in Ukraine, immigrated to Rochester about five years ago and is presently an English major in her junior year at Nazareth College. She looks forward to foreign travel.

Miss Marina Pang, a graduate of the Maryknoll Convent School in her native Hong Kong, China, is now a sophomore at Nazareth College, where she is majoring in biology. The Maryknoll nun who influenced her choice was a Nazareth alumna.

Miss Effie Mascarhenas, a freshman at Nazareth College, was born in South India, where she taught English in a secondary school. A desire to study

for the nursing course offered by Nazareth. All are scholarship students. Miss Mans will lead a discussion around these young women's impressions of America, the opportunities for women in their native lands, and their own plans for the future. A question period for the participation of the club members will offer an opportunity to learn more of other peoples in our own world.

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The convention will commemorate the 25th anniversary of the founding of the Family Life Bureau, National Catholic Welfare Conference, sponsor of the annual meetings, which aim at betterment of Christian home life. Msgr. Irving A. DeBlanc, assistant director of the bureau, said.

Theme of the three-day sessions will be "Sanctity and Success in Marriage." Convention headquarters will be Boston's Hotel Statler.

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