

45 Million Rosaries In Six Years' Daily Recitation On Radio Reported

"Forty-five million Rosaries in 6 years," a goal set in 1950, has been achieved. It was announced today by the Rev. Joseph A. Cirincione, director of the Family Rosary for Peace.

Celebration of the sixth anniversary of the daily radio program will take place this Sunday, March 4.

THE RADIO ROSARY is recited every night at 7 over Rochester's station WSAJ from the Family Rosary Centre, Whitney St.

James Shaw of St. Agnes parish, Avon will lead the Rosary on the anniversary program. He will be accompanied by his wife and twelve children.

Statistics as to the number of listening audience for the radio Rosary is compiled for the station by Pulse a radio survey service according to Father Cirincione. It is estimated that the number of listeners varies between twenty and thirty thousand each evening.

THE FAMILY ROSARY for Peace program costs approximately \$18,000 a year and depends entirely on the contributions of the radio audience for its support. Up to date all bills have been met. Father Cirincione stated.

Several listeners bequeathed allotments in their wills to the program and others give a certain amount from their weekly or monthly wages.

The Radio Rosary on Sunday evenings is conducted by one of the Reverend Fathers Raymond M. Kenny, Albert J. Shamon, John P. Norris, Henry A. Atwell, Richard C. O'Connell and Louis J. Hohman.

On Friday nights the Rev. E. Charles Bauer, assistant pastor of Rochester's St. Francis of Assisi Church, conducts a program of prayers and meditations for shut-ins.

Father Cirincione conducts the prayers on other evenings. Since July 31, the Angelus has been broadcast three times a day, at 7 a. m., noon and 6 p. m., over WSAJ a religious service unique in the whole country.

Executive committee of the Family Rosary for Peace includes: His Excellency, Bishop Kearney, president; Father Cirincione, director; the Rev. Richard T. Torney, Frank R. Davis and Frank E. Wolfe.

Members of Sacred Heart and Rosary Society of Holy Redeemer Church will meet March 7 in the School Hall after the evening services in the church.

Highlight of the meeting will be a "do it yourself" millinery show. Each member is asked to participate by making and modeling her own hat.

Volunteers to serve breakfast during Lent are again asked and names should be handed into the rectory.

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NOONTIME ROSARY at the John A. Levis Paper Box Company marks the fifth anniversary of the daily devotion by employees. The Rev. William F. White, (right) assistant pastor of St. Monica Church, Rochester leads the prayers as he did the first time when the practice was initiated in February, 1951. Originator of the idea for group recitation of the Rosary is Ralph Gallo (left), a press room employe of the Levis Co.

Rosary Recited In Factory By Workers

Twenty-five employes of the John A. Levis Paper Box Company, who recite the Rosary for Peace daily as a group during their lunch hour, marked the fifth anniversary this week of the factory-held devotion.

With the group to mark the occasion was the Rev. William F. White, assistant pastor of St. Monica Church, who led the Rosary for the Levis employes five years ago when the practice was initiated.

Stayers, strippers, machine operators and office girls stand together in the shipping room each noon to recite the Rosary, asking God's blessing on their daily work lives and praying for world peace.

Original idea for the group Rosary belongs to Ralph Gallo of 81 Whitney Park, a print shop employe for the Levis Co. firm.

IN ORGANIZING the devotion Gallo asked his pastor, the Rev. Joseph A. Cirincione of St. Francis of Assisi Church, and John R. Levis, his boss, for assistance in the undertaking, first of its kind in Rochester.

Levis gave his consent and Father White, assistant pastor at St. Francis of Assisi parish at the time, was asked to conduct the first devotions.

Gallo said his inspiration for inaugurating the group recitation of the Rosary came from hearing the diocesan radio program devoted to the Rosary for Peace.

"I thought it might help," he said, "if everyone in our plant joined hearts and thoughts daily in voicing a prayer for peace."

Gallo remarked that since the institution of the daily recitation of the Rosary at the Levis Co. five years ago there has never been an interruption in production nor an employe layoff.

To effect an atmosphere for prayers, a small shrine to Our

Lady has been placed in the factory and is adorned weekly with flowers by Miss Grace Marciano, secretary of the Rosary group. The shrine has become a favorite stopping place for the employes to say a prayer when they arrive at work in the morning.



Bishops Kearney, Casey Visit Monsignor Straub

The Rt. Rev. Msgr. Frederick W. Straub, V.F., received the official document of his appointment as a Domestic Prelate in a special presentation ceremony Tuesday, Feb. 28, from His Excellency, Bishop James E. Kearney.

MONSIGNOR STRAUB has been ill for several weeks and confined to Mercy Hospital, Auburn, where the presentation rite took place.

His Excellency, Auxiliary Bishop Lawrence B. Casey then imparted a special blessing for the sick to Monsignor Straub.

Monsignor Straub is pastor of St. Alphonsus Church, Auburn, and dean of the Cayuga Seminary.

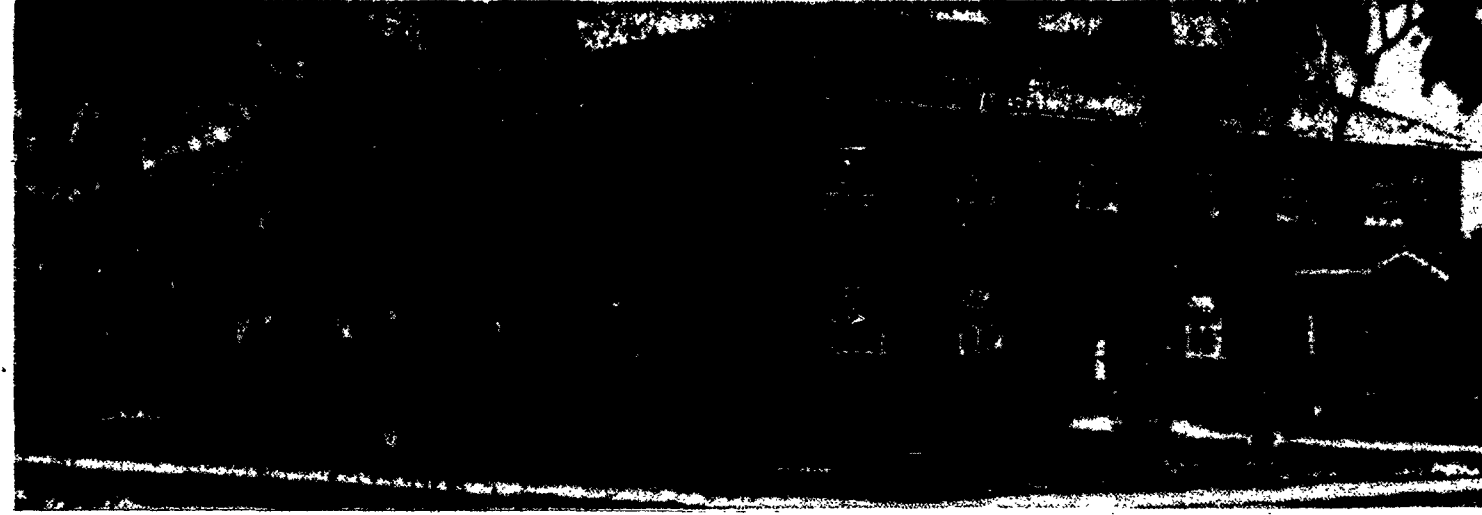
Attending the brief rite at the hospital were Rt. Rev. Msgr. James C. McAniff, P.A., V.G., and Rev. William J. Naughton.

VERY REV. MSGR. Gregory Dugan, Mercy Hospital chaplain, arranged the ceremony.

The Auburn pastor expressed gratitude for the prayers being offered for his recovery by parishioners and friends. His physician has ordered "no visitors" for the recently named Monsignor to give him opportunity to regain his strength.

Three Days Tokyo, Japan — (NC) — Japanese Catholics are offering three days of prayer for the Holy Father in honor of his 80th birthday.

Reservations may be made by phoning BR. 9535.



ARCHITECT'S DRAWING of tentative plans for the new St. James Parish Convent, campaign for funds for which will be held Sunday, March 4. This modern two-story structure is

designed by Edward M. Lorschelder, architect and engineer. Sisters of Mercy teaching in St. James School will be housed in the new convent to release classrooms in the new school. (Tom Casey Photo).

Fund Campaign To Open For New Convent For St. James Parish

The solicitation of funds for the new St. James Convent will take place on Sunday, March 4. More than 275 men will make their contacts after the last Mass. All members of St. James Parish are asked to remain at home from 1:15 to 3:15 p.m. during which time the contacts will be made.

Last minute instructions were given to the workers at a pep rally on Thursday, March 1. The kick-off dinner for the workers will be held on Saturday, March 3 in the church hall.

His Excellency, Auxiliary Bishop Casey will address the men at the dinner and their workers kits will be distributed. Campaign leaders have stressed the importance of every worker attending the dinner.

LEON T. WARD, general chairman has expressed the confidence and gratitude of the leaders. "We are truly thankful for the marvelous spirit of cooperation shown by all the workers. With this kind of enthusiasm, we cannot fail in our project to provide a proper home for our Sisters and adequate facilities for the Catholic education of our children," he said.

Plans are under way for a new Convent for the recently established St. James Parish. Up to this time the Sisters of Mercy, who staff the school have been living upstairs in the School in temporary quarters. However, with a steady increase of new pupils the quarters now occupied by the Sisters are needed for classrooms.

Details of the new convent were released today by the Rev. Francis M. Feeney, pastor.

The new convent will be of cinder block construction with buff brick veneer to match the rest of the parish buildings. It will be built on parish property on the corner of Whittington Rd. and Brett Rd. Two stories in height with main entrance on Whittington Rd., it will be in the shape of the letter L in accordance with the property which extends 150 ft. on Brett Rd. and 100 ft. on Whittington Rd.

Inside the main entrance will be a niche with a hand carved statue of St. James the Greater, the parish patron. On the right of the entrance will be the sacristy which will be opposite the sanctuary of the chapel.

THE CHAPEL will be about 2 ft. lower than the rest of the building to permit loftier ceiling height and help provide for better air circulation. The Stations of the Cross will be hand carved. There will be seven stained glass windows, two small ones on the altar and the other larger ones in the main body of the Chapel.

The liturgical altar will be surmounted by a cylindrical tabernacle. Mass candle sticks will be hand-hammered by artisans in Switzerland.

To the left of the main entrance there will be two ample rooms for visitors. The Brett Rd. side of the convent will contain refectory, pantry, kitchen plus entrance and cook's suite.

Rear of the convent will be 35 ft. from the school connected by a covered corridor leading into the school through a passageway between the first and second grades previously provided for.

On the northwest side of the convent where the corridor from the school ends, there will be a sound proof room for music lessons. Beyond the music room will be the Sisters' entrance with proper cloakroom facilities.

Adjacent will be the Community room facing a garden 40 ft. square surrounded by an ample porch on the west side, shrubs on the north side, to assure privacy, and the rear wall of the chapel on the east side. The rear wall of the chapel will have an outdoor shrine.

THE GARDEN will be designed so that even in winter it may be used for daily exercise.

Parish Reports Additional Pledges

A total of \$17,500 was pledged to St. Rita School, West Webster by new families moving into the parish, the Rev. Francis A. Kleehammer reported when results in a supplementary campaign were tabulated this week.

The original campaign for the new school held in June, 1954 resulted in a total of more than \$140,000. Father Kleehammer said in another supplementary drive about a year ago, a total of \$11,000 was realized from new parishioners.

Father Kleehammer expressed his appreciation to all donors both in the original campaign and in the two appeals made among new families.

New Parish Maps Plans

More than 100 campaign lieutenants in the fund drive for the newly established parish of Christ The King "Irishweek" will meet at 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Mar. 14, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Charles J. Mahoney, pastor, announced. The meeting is scheduled in St. Margaret Mary School Hall.

A minimum goal of \$125,000 has been set for the parishwide solicitation slated Sunday afternoon, March 23. The sum will be sought toward erection of church and school buildings planned for completion in September. The buildings will be constructed on Goodman Street North just south of Titus Avenue.

A two-hour parishwide solicitation is slated from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Sunday, March 25.

INCLUDED in the project is repair of the church, school, convent and rectory. Also planned is demolition of the St. Agnes Convent School building, located on Main St. East between the church and school, for installation of a 250 car parking area.

Campaign division leaders are Robert Clerks, Joseph DiSano, William Lattin, Lawrence Unger, Frank Zimmerman, William Kelly, Robert McSwaney, A. Edward Pirera, Harold Rowe, Frank Vetter, Gerard Ferrara, Robert Heffer, Alfred Le Doux, Paul McLaughlin, Joseph Morris, Bernard Bazinet, Michael Czernia, Claude Conser, Carl Groth, Thomas McGarvey, Wallace Engard, John M. Gillen, Thomas V. Finan, John McLaughlin, Paul D. Walker.

The I In Marriage' Next Topic Of Marriage Series

The third conference of the annual pre-marriage series will be held in the Powers Hotel ballroom Monday, March 5 at 8:15 p.m. Mrs. H. Lou Gibson and Gerald Barrett will discuss "The I In Marriage."

The first two conferences of the current Lenten series have been very successful and have attracted a large number of engaged and newly married people according to the Rev. Daniel Hogan, director.

St. Thomas Slates Father, Son Fete

St. Thomas Holy Name Society will hold a father and sons Communion breakfast after the 8 a.m. Mass, on Sunday, March 4 in the School Hall after the American Olympic bob sled team will show movies of the Olympic

Triduum In Schools

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