



Guests at St. Elizabeth House relax after work, studies

Guild House Guests Work, Study In City

St. Elizabeth Guild House for young business girls and students in Rochester was founded forty years ago by the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Thomas F. Connors, pastor of Blessed Sacrament Church, to provide a low cost boarding-home for young women who have no other home or who have come to Rochester seeking employment.

Located at the corner of Field St. and Monroe Avenue, St. Elizabeth Guild House meets its operating expenses through the efforts of the St. Elizabeth Guild in addition to aid received from the Community Chest.

The Auxiliary obtains funds to carry on its work through membership dues and monthly card parties. Since 1943 it has cleared the property of a large mortgage, redecorated, re-furnished many rooms, modern-

ized and put in an attractive lounge and recreation room.

Residents of St. Elizabeth Guild House range in age from 17 to 39 years, with most of the girls between 18 and 22. Half are students in college, high school, nursing and business schools. The others work as office clerks, secretaries, nurses and store clerks.

Twenty-two of these girls have no income and thirteen earn less than two thousand dollars a year. To take care of them 24,276 meals are served and 14,913 days care are given yearly.

The Guild House is recommended to the girls by their schools and some are sent by social agencies or friends of the Guild.

Because of the low cost and long waiting list, St. Elizabeth's Guild is meant to be a temporary home for young women. After finishing school, some leave to take jobs for which they have been trained, while others get married. There were 10 weddings from the Guild last year. Three former guests have entered religious orders and the rest stay on a year to "get on their feet" before going out into the world.

The large lounge of the Guild House is equipped with comfortable furniture, television, desk and card table. The study is furnished with library table and chairs, sewing machine, radio, record player and hair-dryer. Two sitting rooms are provided where guests can entertain and each girl has a private bedroom.

The Rev. Donald Mulcahy, priest-director of the Guild, is available to all who wish to seek counsel or need help in any decision.

Over the past forty years, St. Elizabeth has sheltered and fed a countless number of young women, some of which are now members of the Auxiliary.

Women Aid In Care

To Children

Six months ago, Catholic Family Center established a lay group of volunteers known as the Ladies of Charity. This is the name of a similar organization originally founded by St. Vincent de Paul.

Main purpose of the new charity group is to exercise works of mercy in the community. The Holy See has attached many indulgences to this organization. The new group at the Family Center meets bi-monthly in business and religious session.

Each member then serves the agency regularly, either as a member of the Motor Corps, the Clerical Aides, or Clerical Assistants. Already 338 hours have been given by the members.

Assignments have been trips to Buffalo and Syracuse, transportation of children from foster homes and St. Joseph's Villa to hospital clinics and doctors' offices, transportation of residents of St. Ann's Home to hospitals, shopping for children in foster care, assistance at hospital clinics, and office service in the refugee program.

Mrs. Mary Dawson of the Catholic Family Center works with the following members of the Ladies of Charity:

Motor Corps—The Mesdames Burke W. Atkinson, F. Gordon Duffy, Howard A. Elam, John W. Heffernan, Harry P. Heislein, Louis Hohman, Frank Malley, Leo T. Mirton, William J. Murphy, Thomas J. McCarrick, Henry Pratt, Pat Provenzano, Carl Schramke, John Viehmann.

Clinic Aides — Mrs. George J. Hilbert and Mrs. Gerald Morris.

Clerical Aids — Mrs. Hugo Gemignani.

Catholic Charities Of The Diocese Of Rochester

Financial Report

April 1, 1955 to March 31, 1956

	Receipts other than Community Chest	Receipts Rochester Community Chest	Total Expenditures
Catholic Youth Organization (Rochester)....	\$ 70,257.00	\$ 51,549.00	\$ 121,806.00
Columbus Youth Association (E. Rochester)	3,774.00	17,164.00	20,938.00
Genesee Settlement House	7,488.00	32,708.00	40,196.00
Charles Settlement House	5,033.00	22,849.00	27,882.00
St. Ann's Home	233,737.00	48,436.00	302,173.00
St. Joseph's Villa	106,084.00	43,719.00	151,803.00
St. Elizabeth Guild House	25,238.00	12,325.00	37,563.00
Catholic Family Center	212,303.00	171,101.00	383,404.00
TOTAL	\$683,914.00	\$401,851.00	\$1,085,765.00

Catholic Family Center

April 1, 1955 — March 31, 1956

Number of families given service	2,587
Number of children given care away from own home	624
Number of children in adoption homes during year	125
Number of adoptions legally completed	61
Total expended	\$383,404.00
Operating Receipts	\$212,303.00
Received from Community Chest	\$171,101.00

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- CATHOLIC FAMILY CENTER
- ST. JOSEPH'S VILLA
- ST. ELIZABETH'S GUILD
- ST. ANN'S HOME
- CHARLES HOUSE
- GENESSEE SETTLEMENT HOUSE
- CATHOLIC YOUTH ORGANIZATION
- ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Rochester

**ST. ELIZABETH
GUILD HOUSE**
1 Field St.

Staff: Priest-Director, Rev. Donald Mulcahy; Resident Director, Miss Anna J. Home; Cook, Mrs. Anna Dickerman; Assistant Cook, Mrs. Anna Baker; Chambermaid, Mrs. Blain Irvin Reeves; Janitor, Aloysius Hoffman.

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