

St. Thomas More Adds Mass At 7

To accommodate the increasing number attending Masses of St. Thomas More Parish, temporarily in St. John Fisher College Chapel, an extra Mass at 7 a.m. has been added, the Rev. Francis J. Pegnam, pastor announced today.

The six Sunday Masses for St. Thomas More parishioners will begin at 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 noon.

Fr. Rigne

By The Very Rev. Har Divine Word

By the summer of 1955 matchbox maker and applied. My hope was, of course, that job in the Tzu Hsing Lu prison sentence in half.

Then, on July 13, Chi, who was my new cell leader, walked up to chat with me. Chu was altogether different from my previous cell leaders. Unlike Tito and Wang, who had persecuted me with a singleness of

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The Reds—What Now?

New Soviet Policy Seen Threat To NATO

By LOUIS F. BUDENZ

We have interesting news from Baltimore that should be shared with the rest of the country. The Maryland Forum, which conducted a successful class in the Techniques of Communism last season, has sent an important petition to the President of the United States. Signed by 400 distinguished citizens of the Maryland metropolis, this petition urges the immediate breaking off of relations with Soviet Russia and its satellites.



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The document asserts that the ending of relations with Soviet Power would "strike a telling blow against the Soviet world conspiracy and so protect the fast-shrinking free world." It also declares that this act would give hope to the victims of Soviet tyranny and would "help obtain the genuine peace the whole world is longing for."

THIS STATEMENT deserves the serious consideration of other organizations and other communities. The present situation for the United States is rapidly disintegrating, both internationally and internally, to the great gratification of the Red press. Even the New York Times of April 18 is moved to a show of alarm concerning what it calls "shadows over NATO."

France is drawing more and more into the Soviet orbit, through new obstacles it is placing in the way of West German armament.

West Germany, on its part, has partially turned its back on the United States and is on its way to Moscow to talk German reunification with the Soviet leaders.

Britain, more and more, is indicating pro-Soviet leanings with its secret conferences with Khrushchev, head of the world communist conspiracy, and his aide Bulganin.

Within this country, continuing court decisions denude congressional inquiries of almost all their power and make it more difficult for governmental forces to deal with the communist conspiracy.

We are in the peculiar position that the more the Soviet leaders and their followers in the United States admit crimes associated with communism, the more unguarded becomes the American nation "the spirit of Geneva" and the "anti-Stalin" maneuver are, even at this early date, bringing singular success to the Soviet cause.

We have a macabre illustration of these "admissions" in the Daily Worker of April 16: Eugene Dennis, general secretary of the Communist Party of the United States, confesses the crimes which Soviet Russia has practiced against the Jews. Of course, if Khrushchev and company were to put on a new false face, they would have to admit what has already been well established in order to persuade us that all is now sweetness and light in Soviet Russia.

PERSECUTION of the Jews under Soviet rule was brought out vividly in the hearings of the House Committee on Communist Aggression, headed by Representative Charles Kersten of Wisconsin. The arrest of hundreds of thousands of Jews in

Poland, the forceful deportation of thousands from Hungary, the shutting down of Jewish newspapers and schools were recounted by refugees as well as by leaders of Jewish organizations in this country. This column brought the news of these barbarities to its readers.

At that time, those who testified to the truth in regard to these Jewish persecutions were denounced in the most vitriolic manner by the Daily Worker and by Communists in general.

Now Dennis, following the new Khrushchev line, has to write: "Among these disclosures (of crimes by the Soviet leadership) the recent news from Warsaw concerning the imprisonment and execution of political and cultural leaders of the Jewish community in the Soviet Union during the past years underscores the terrible extent of these outrages and fills us with heartfelt anguish."

Dennis then resorts to those mental gymnastics so typical of the Communists. He places the blame for what took place on "the Beria gang and their accomplices," since Moscow has selected Lavrenti Beria as the favorite whipping boy for all Soviet crimes. But years ago, before Beria had become such a power, the New York World Telegram had exposed the anti-Semitism cultivated by the Kremlin. Solomon Schwartz also had shown the discrimination against the Jews in Soviet Russia, in his scholarly book, "The Jews in the Soviet Union."

The present leaders of Soviet Russia were all partners to these crimes and beneficiaries of the regime that fostered them.

DENNIS ALSO brings forward the strange argument that "anti-Semitism has been outlawed (in Soviet Russia) and there the Soviet Constitution guarantees freedom and equal rights to all." Therefore, he contends, the crimes against the Jews cannot be held against Socialism or Soviet Russia itself.

What a characteristic Communist argument this is! During all the time that the Jews were being executed and liquidated, Soviet Russia contended to the world as a matter of propaganda that anti-Semitism was outlawed. All the while, it was asserting also in the public opinion forum of the world that "freedom and equal rights" were guaranteed by the Soviet Constitution.

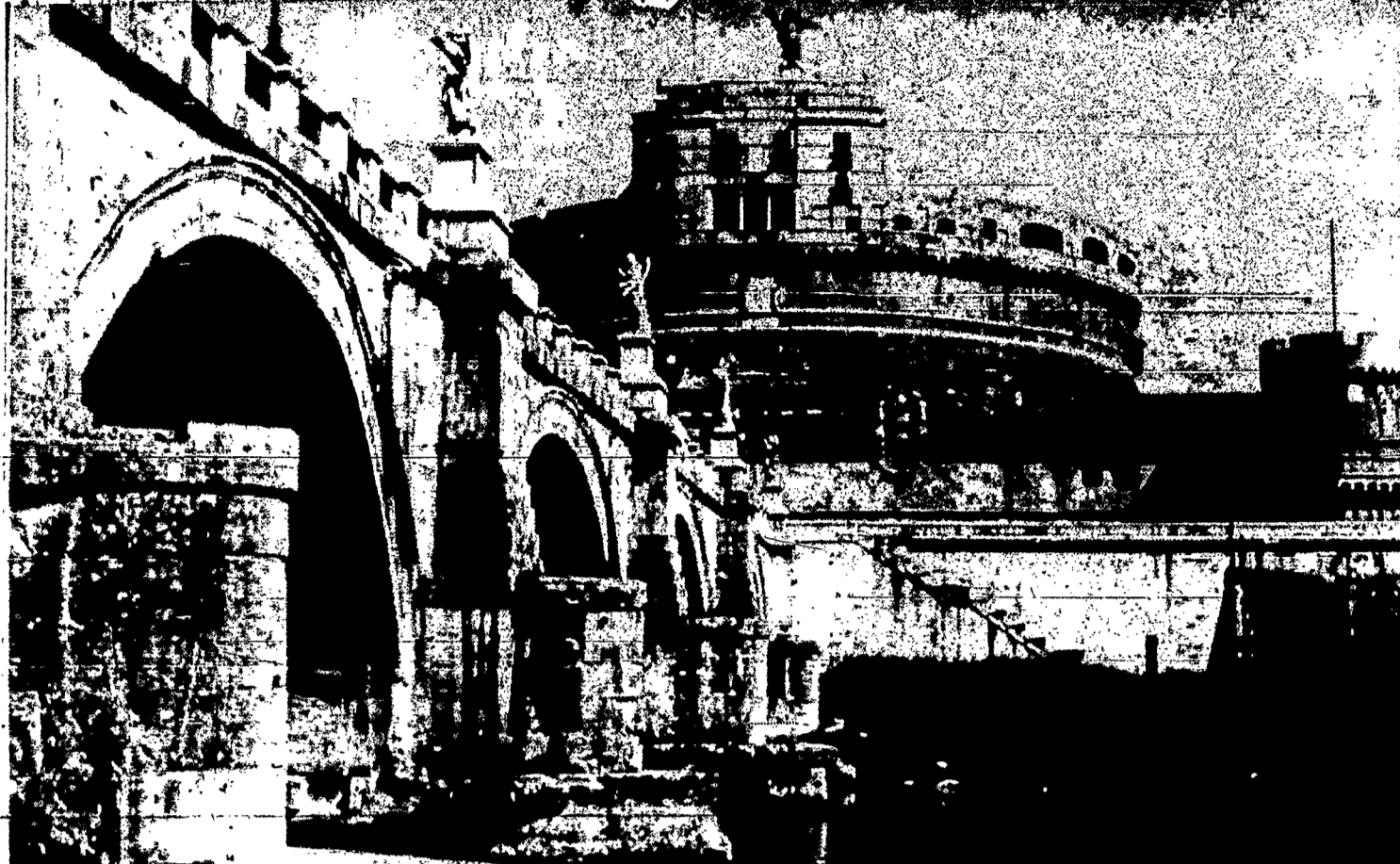
Nothing indicates more clearly the contrast between Soviet words and Soviet deeds than these declarations. They assure us that the present alleged "change" in Soviet Communism is no change at all.

How is it possible to have relations with a force which engages in such deadly double-talk and in such evident trickery?

Catholic Gain Cited in New Hampshire

Manchester, N. H. — (NC) — Latest diocesan reports show that New Hampshire had 206,313 Catholics, which is nearly 40 percent of the state's total population, at the end of 1955. The number had increased from 197,789 in 1954 and from 190,303 in 1953.

Now under instruction in parochial school and Confraternity of Christian Doctrine classes in the state are 43,778 children, the report stated. In the past decade, 45 new churches have been built in the diocese and 24 new parishes have been established, it was reported.



Michael Sheathed Angelic Sword On Castle's Top

CASTLE SAN ANGELO has a secret passage connecting it with the Vatican. The Castle is rich in history, has seen bitter fighting which surged around Rome's 2500 years of growth and glory. Legend says St. Michael appeared atop the castle, where his statue now stands, during the pontificate of Pope St. Gregory. In 850, a pestilence wasted the city. Pope Gregory ordered

a procession and prayers. As the procession neared the Castle, the Archangel appeared, sheathed his sword, and the plague ended. Many other apparitions of the great Archangel are recorded in history, beginning with Scriptural accounts dating back to the prophet Daniel. May 8 marks Michael's apparition at Italy's Mont Gargano. (Pan American Photo)

JOSEPH BREIG

Christ's Life, Basis For Devotion To Mary

By REV. HENRY ATWELL

Other Side of a Hot Coin

There is much to be said for the U. S. Supreme Court's recent warning against "the practice of imputing a sinister meaning" to the fact that a witness has invoked the Fifth Amendment.

After all, as Justice Tom Clark pointed out, there can be various reasons behind such an action. It may be the result, for example, of "legal advice conscientiously given, whether wisely or unwisely."

Prof. Slochower, in 1952, invoked the amendment and refused to tell a Senate subcommittee whether he had been a Communist Party member 11 years previously. He said the answer might tend to incriminate him.

Slochower then was dismissed under Section 903, New York City Charter. This provides for automatic discharge of a municipal employe who refuses to answer questions about his official conduct because of possible self-incrimination.

THE PRESIDENT of Brooklyn College, Dr. Harry D. Gideonson, would have preferred to proceed against Dr. Slochower by making "professionally appropriate" charges and holding a hearing. However, the city attorney informed him he must proceed under Section 903.

When the sky is blue, and the fields are green, and the flowers break into a riot of color; when the days grow warm and you shake the weariness of winter and feel fresh all over, then it is May, it is the month of Mary.

In homes where there are little children there will also be little shrines on dresser tops or mantle pieces with light flowers and a flickering vigil light to honor the Mother of God.

In hearts where there is love for Jesus there also will be a humble devotion to His holy Mother too.

Hymns of childhood will echo in our memory—"Bring flowers of the rarest," "Hail, holy Queen," "O Mary we crown thee with blossoms today."

MAY DEVOTIONS in parish churches will repeat the Litany of Mary with its invocations—"Mother of Christ, Virgin most pure, Queen of all saints, pray for us."

Schools, sodalities, Rosary societies will hold their traditional processions to crown the statue of Mary as Queen of the May.

Even the Pope has now put the Church's own official stamp of approval on this spontaneous devotion to Mary by climaxing May with the new feast of Mary our Queen to be observed at the end of the month.

Devotion to Mary is not meant just to be the special property of little children or pious women. Every Catholic who fears hell and needs God's help to save his soul also needs a humble devotion to Mary.

Anyone who calls himself Christian intends by that name to claim that he is in some way trying to be like Christ.

For most of His life on earth, Christ who was God was dependent on Mary.

Christ who was God so humbled Himself that He needed Mary's consent to admit Him to life on earth.

In infancy, Christ was the helpless babe in Mary's arms. As a child, Christ was subject to Mary and to Joseph.

His working of miracles began at the request of Mary at Cana. At last in death, Christ was laid in His Mother's arms.

Was all this mere happenstance? Had this no significance? SCRIPTURE SAYS that Jesus "began to do and to teach."

His actions always were more eloquent than His words.

So if God chose to depend on Mary's care it was to teach us that we too depend on Mary's care—her tender watchful care from heaven.

And the basic devotion which will win Mary's protection from heaven is a real sense of humility.

Ever since Satan shouted his "I will not serve" and ever since Adam's defiant bite of the forbidden fruit, pride has been the great sin to plague man's search for happiness.

TO ADMIT dependence is so humiliating that too many individuals refuse to submit to any authority. Mary's humility is evident from her submissive consent, "Be it done to me according to thy word," she said to the Archangel Gabriel.

As Americans we are traditionally dedicated to ideals of freedom and independence. Yet our Declaration of Independence acknowledges that our freedom is rooted in a humble service of our Creator. Our nation "under God" has set a pattern of "liberty and justice for all."

Somehow we let this ideal of every man's independence and free rights cloud our status as creatures of God. Because we are each one of us equal with our fellow men, we begin to think we are in some way equal to God as well. And "God resists the proud," says Scripture.

THAT IS WHY we need to keep Mary as our model in order that we may submit to God, the source of our strength and our true happiness.

It requires humility to finger a Rosary, to kneel before the Virgin's statue, to attend the church rites in Mary's honor. A proud man thinks that he does

not need" these practices. These May devotions and practices of honoring Mary are actually the key to heaven and to the heart of the Savior.

Praying to Mary, then is not just a pious form of spring- fever. Devotion to Mary is in reality the price of our immortal soul.

Daily Mass Calendar

Sunday, May 6 — Fifth Sunday after Easter (white). Gloria, 2nd prayer of St. John. Creed, Easter Preface.

Monday, May 7 — (1) Rogation Day (purple), one High Mass only, other High Masses of St. Stanislaus. If only one Mass in Church, Rogation Mass with 2nd prayer of St. Stanislaus. Low Masses of Rogation permitted. (2) St. Stanislaus, martyr (red). Gloria, 2nd prayer of Rogation Day. Easter Preface.

Tuesday, May 8 — (1) Rogation Day (purple), same rules as Monday. (2) Apparition of St. Michael (white), same rules as Monday.

Wednesday, May 9 — (1) Vigil of Ascension (white). Gloria, 2nd prayer of St. Gregory. 3rd of Rogation Day. Easter Preface. (2) St. Gregory Nazianzen, confessor (white). Gloria, 2nd prayer of Vigil. 3rd of Rogation Day. Creed, Easter Preface. (3) Rogation Day (purple), if only one Mass in church, 2nd prayer of Vigil, 3rd of St. Gregory.

Ascension Thursday, May 10 — Mass as in Missal.

Friday, May 11 — Sts. Philip and James, apostles (red). Gloria, Creed, Preface of Apostles; Mass as in Missal for May 1.

Saturday, May 12 — Mass of Our Lady (white). Gloria, 2nd prayer of the Martyrs, Preface of Our Lady.

— omitted in High Mass.

Making Marriage Click

More Suggestions For Engaged

By MSGR. IRVING A. DELBANC (Director, Family Life Bureau, N.O.W.C.)

As you prepare for marriage, remember that dishcloths, burned potatoes, frayed tempers and what you do with them can be a means of getting to Heaven! Marriage is a means of sanctification, not of recreation, nor of escape.

Ask your parents many questions about marriage—make a list of them. It is strange how you ask advice about everything else except marriage. Are you that cocksure?

Have you thought of having engraved inside your ring some motto like: "Thy will be done" or "United in Christ" or "Fray, Love, Work, Together"?

Have you, maybe, offered a special little bell to be used at the Nuptial Mass, then given back to you after Mass? It could be engraved as a "memorance of the first hour of your family life, which began in the sanctuary."

If your Nuptial Mass is in the late morning, have you remembered to get permission for you

Christ Makes A Promise

Fifth Sunday after Easter

We live in two worlds. One is spiritual; the other is very much material. But both are linked very closely one to each other.

Some people ignore or forget the spiritual part of their lives. St. Paul said, "... their god is their belly..." they mind the things of earth.

Many people think that to be truly spiritual you should do just the opposite, you should ignore the material, take no pleasure out of this world.

CHRIST, however, has given us the correct balance which should characterize His followers. We live in this world and use it as a key to unlock the treasure of happiness in heaven. The good things of life are intended by God as aids in our quest for heaven. That is why the Church has a special blessing for seeds, fruits, typewriters, automobiles, homes, animals, and finally in case there isn't a special blessing for some one object, there is a blessing for "all things." Everything God gives us awaits our using it as a tool to fashion us into saints.

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When you are engaged, you and your friends to drink nourishing liquids up to an hour before Communion?

Will all your attendants have missals or Mass booklets? Don't let them come and just "squat." Autographed copies of the booklet are treasured souvenirs.

The bride may ask her pastor if she may make a beautiful corporal, on which the Body of Christ will be during the Mass. He will rinse it and return it to her later. She could keep it at home for future sick calls, house blessings and so on. The home is really an extension of the sanctuary.

Please send out Catholic-warded invitations to a Sacrament and a Nuptial Mass. Be sure you mention—maybe in the lower corner of the invitation—that all who wish are invited to receive Holy Communion with the bride party.

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