

### Bishop Kearney's Appointments

NOVEMBER

- 3 Friday - Nazareth Convent and Motherhouse - Low Mass - 6:30 a. m.  
Sisters of Mercy Motherhouse - Low Mass - 7:30 a. m.  
St. Joseph's Church - St. Monica's Sodality Mass - 9:00 a. m.  
St. Bernard's Seminary - Conference - 5:30 p. m.
- 4 Saturday - St. Agnes High School - L.F.C.A. Mass - 8:30 a. m.  
St. John Fisher College - Address, St. Thomas More Building Campaign Dinner - 6:50 p. m.
- 4 Sunday - St. Ann's Home - Preside and Preach at Pontifical Low Mass, Golden Jubilee of Home - 8:00 a. m.  
Nazareth College - Cap and Gown Ceremony - 4:00 p. m.
- 5 Monday - St. Ann's Home - Golden Jubilee Dinner - 6:00 p. m.
- 6 Tuesday - Corpus Christi Church - Preside, closing of Forty Hours - 7:45 p. m.
- 8 Thursday - Mark Twain Hotel, Elmira, N. Y. - Address, St. Joseph's Hospital Campaign Dinner - 8:30 p. m.
- 9 Friday - St. Joseph's Hospital - Low Mass, St. Francis of Assisi Church - Confirmation - 7:30 p. m.
- 10 Saturday - Selon Branches' Centenary Dinner - Powers Hotel - 7:30 p. m.
- 11 Sunday - Holy Rosary Church - Confirmation - 7:45 p. m.
- 14 Wednesday - Washington, D. C. - Annual Bishops' Meeting.
- 15 Thursday - Washington, D. C. - Annual Bishops' Meeting.
- 16 Friday - Washington, D. C. - Annual Bishops' Meeting.
- 19 Monday - St. Mary's Hospital - Low Mass, Sister Mary Teresa's Golden Jubilee - 10:00 a. m.  
Corning, N. Y. - Silver Jubilee Dinner of Corning District DCCW - 7:00 p. m.
- 20 Tuesday - St. Lucy's Church - Confirmation - 7:30 p. m.
- 25 Sunday - St. Michael's Church - Confirmation - 4:00 p. m.  
St. Basil's Church - Confirmation - 1:30 p. m.
- 27 Tuesday - St. Mary's Hospital - Low Mass in Honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal - 4:15 p. m.
- 28 Thursday - Church of the Annunciation - Confirmation - 7:30 p. m.
- 30 Friday - St. Andrew's Seminary - Solemn Pontifical Mass - Patronal Feast - 10:30 a. m.

### Bishop Casey's Appointments

NOVEMBER

- 1 Thursday - St. John Fisher College - Address, Workers Rally St. Thomas More Building Campaign - 8:30 p. m.
- 3 Saturday - Sheraton Hotel - Address, St. Lucy's Building Campaign Dinner - 6:30 p. m.
- 4 Sunday - St. Ann's Home - Pontifical Low Mass, Golden Jubilee of Home - 8:00 a. m.  
Holy Cross - Confirmation - 1:30 p. m.  
St. Charles - Confirmation - 7:45 p. m.
- 5 Monday - St. Ann's Home - Golden Jubilee Dinner - 6:00 p. m.
- 7 Wednesday - Convent, Monterey - Blessing of Altar - 8:00 a. m.  
Sacred Heart Cathedral - Confirmation - 7:45 p. m.
- 8 Thursday - Sheraton Hotel - Address, Our Lady of Lourdes New Convent Campaign Dinner - 7:00 p. m.
- 10 Saturday - Notre Dame Retreat House - Cathedral Men's Retreat Dinner - 8:00 p. m.  
Powers Hotel - Address, St. Theodore's School Campaign Dinner - 7:15 p. m.
- 11 Sunday - Sacred Heart Cathedral - Solemn, Monroe County Chapter Catholics War Veterans Memorial Mass - 1:30 a. m.  
St. Carmel - Confirmation - 7:30 p. m.
- 14 Wednesday - Washington, D. C. - Annual Bishops' Meeting.
- 15 Wednesday - Washington, D. C. - Annual Bishops' Meeting.
- 16 Friday - Washington, D. C. - Annual Bishops' Meeting.
- 22 Thursday - Sacred Heart Cathedral - Thanksgiving Day Solemn Pontifical Mass - 1 p. m.
- 26 Sunday - Sacred Heart Hall - Girl Scout Court of Awards - 7:00 p. m.

### Rome Ponders Sainthood For Pioneer Priest

Possibility of the Church's canonizing a priest who began his missionary work in Rochester moved a step closer to reality this week. Official notice from Rome has named Redemptorist Father Francis J. Litz as vice-postulator of the cause of Venerable John N. Neumann, pioneer priest of the Rochester area.

Father Neumann later became a Redemptorist superior and fourth bishop of Philadelphia.

He preached his first sermon, heard confessions, and performed his first baptism on July 10, 1836, in Rochester's only Catholic church at that time - St. Patrick's.

He had been sent here to aid German speaking Catholics in practicing their faith. His recommendations to the Redemptorist Fathers in New York resulted in their establishing St. Joseph's parish for German immigrants in the frontier town of Rochester.

Father Neumann did extensive missionary work with German immigrants in New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and was widely acclaimed for his labors. Following his death in 1850, he was canonized, a lengthy process which studies all aspects of the candidate's life. Father Litz as vice-postulator is appointed to assist the Redemptorist Father Benedict D'Orsico who resides in Rome in obtaining information concerning the late Bishop Neumann, whom the Church has canonized "venerable," a preliminary step in the canonization process.

Father Neumann also recognized as one of the foremost members of the Catholic parochial school system in

### JOSEPH BREIG

'Old favorite' Hymns

I am entirely in sympathy with the people who protest against the omission of such hymns as "Mary Help, O Help We Pray" from the new hymnal to be published by the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine.

I am in sympathy with them, but I can't agree with them.

Nobody needs to tell me that these folks are among the best Catholics on earth. I know that they didn't fall in love with "Mother Dear, O Pray for Me" because they stayed away from church. They fell in love with the old favorite hymns because those were the hymns they heard from childhood, and they heard them over and over because they were right there in church year in and year out, rain or shine or blizzard for all the novenas, the Forty Hours, the sermon-and-Rosary, and the other devotions. In the minds and hearts of these people, those hymns have a thousand holy and happy associations; and nobody can blame them for wanting to go on hearing them and singing them.

These folks, furthermore, have a right to every possible consideration. They are the ones the pastor could always depend upon. They have been the backbone of their parishes.

IN FACT, they are such splendid and loyal Catholics that we may be confident that when the chips are down they will sacrifice their own preferences and go along with the reforms of church music even without understanding it, if necessary. But they are entitled to every possible explanation.

Let me try my hand at it. It is easy for any of us, especially in youth, to become attached to the inferior or the mediocre literature, in art, in music, in anything. If the inferior or the mediocre is what we see and hear, then that is what we will be drawn toward, because even the inferior is better than nothing. A third-rate landscape is better than no landscape at all.

My wife and I often remark upon the fact that certain houses which, in our childhood, we thought of as little less than castles, now seem to us small and awkwardly designed. Our standards have risen because for the past 10 years, one of our favorite recreations has been to drive through a certain magnificent residential district, admiring the beautiful homes.

IN THE HOSPITAL, lobby, a young man greeted me. "Father, my wife just had a boy!" He was wreathed in a smile and professed me the traditional cigar. Obviously, the news of his wife's critical condition had been told to him. I almost blurted out the truth - but turned instead, with a hurried "thanks" and said "I have a sick call upstairs."

There on the second floor, the young wife and mother lay in an oxygen tent - tubes carrying precious blood and nourishment to her veins. She was unconscious. Doctors, nurses contrasted their urgent while I sat the old Latin prayers surrounded by the most modern of medical equipment.

A nurse opened the tent as I reached into the cool fresh

### Crawls To Victims For Last Rites

Montreal (NC) - A parish priest from nearby Vancouver crawled through a large sewer pipe to give conditional absolution to seven men who died in the cave-in of a 35-foot ditch.

Father Rene Durocher, one of the first persons to arrive at the scene of the tragedy, crawled into the huge pipe to get close to the entombed men.

"Many of the workers had a premonition of danger early in the day," said Father Durocher, "and were reluctant to go down into the ditch. One man decided to go, however, and the rest followed."

Rains had weakened the ditch, causing the walls to collapse.

The started uniform of a nurse. It was cool and efficient. "There is a woman here. She is a Catholic. She is in critical condition."

"I'll be right over."

The hospital was only a few minutes walk from the rectory and as I hurried over the leaf-strewn streets, I said a silent prayer that God would guide me to perform my first last rites correctly.

### My First Sick Call

## Young Mother Faces Death At Birth Of First Child

By REV. HENRY ATWELL

Every priest, I suppose, remembers his first sick call. I know as a seminarian I looked forward to it with a certain eagerness tinged with a bit of fear.

Perhaps the idea of anointing someone for death figured prominently in my priestly dreams because once as a little boy I had been anointed - but recovered to give that sacrament to scores of others.

Preparing people for death is one of the duties weighing heavy on every parish priest. And no matter how many times you dip your finger in the Holy Oils and say, "through this sacred anointing," you never really "get used" to it.

EVERY PERSON you anoint has come to the gate of death by a very devious route. Some have trudged long years alone on the path that leads inevitably to the grave. Others are snatched suddenly in the bloom of youth.

I remember the warm autumn afternoon a few weeks after ordination.

The phone rang shortly after we finished lunch.

"This is the hospital calling." The voice was pleasant, but like

### Daily Mass Calendar

Sunday, November 4 - Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost (green) Introit, Gradual, Offertory verse, Communion verse; same as 23rd Sunday; Prayer, Epistle, Gospel Secret Postcommunio; same as 24th Sunday after Epiphany; Gloria, 2nd prayer of St. Charles, Creed, Trinité Preface.

Monday through Wednesday - Mass as Sunday except no Gloria, no 2nd prayer, no Creed, Common Preface; VE.

Thursday, November 8 - (1) Mass as Monday except 2nd prayer of 4 Crowned Martyrs; (2) Four Crowned Martyrs (red), Gloria, 2nd prayer of Sunday; VE.

Friday, November 9 - Dedication of Rome's Archbasilica of our Saviour, also called the Lateran Church of St. John (white), Gloria, 2nd prayer of St. Theodore, Creed.

Saturday, November 10 - St. Andrew, Avellino, confessor (white), Gloria, 2nd prayer of St. Trappin.

Sanctified at High Mass. VD - Voluntary or Requiem permitted.

### FATHER SHEERIN

New American Revolution?

In the thirties, radicals ridiculed religion as a dinosaur out of the dead past. In that pink era of leftist enchantment, religion was distinctly unpopular. The long night of Christianity was believed to be at an end and Stalin was ushering in a golden dawn. Today religion is popular. It is respected once again. It enjoys prestige even on the college campus.

The 1956 Presidential campaign is evidence of the popular interest in religion. Monday morning newspapers feature pictures of the candidates at church services on Sunday. Both Eisenhower and Stevenson "speak" of God and religion in their speeches. Not specific doctrines of course, but allusions to belief in God as the bedrock of the American way of life. Nixon's talk at the Al Smith dinner - not strictly a political speech but it did take place during the campaign, and was delivered in Cardinal Spellman's presence - dealt with a distinctly religious theme: the religious origin of our civil rights.

The cynic will say that all this is pious talk for public consumption, that politicians will say anything to win votes. Even if this were so, it proves that the American public regard religion as something laudable and important.

But does this flare-up of religion interest mean that we are in the midst of a real religious revival in America?

IT WOULD BE easy to answer this question with a thumping big "No." It's always easy to be pessimistic and to point to statistics showing crime and immorality rampant in the U.S. It's true that the whole world is going to the dogs, but that's not news. Ever since Adam fell the world has been going to the dogs.

On October 21st, the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A. released the replies they had received to a questionnaire. These questions were sent to 35 leaders in government, labor, education, religion, etc.

Only one Catholic (George Meany of the AFL-CIO) was quoted; so the majority of replies contemplated only the religious situation among Protestants.

I WAS impressed by the hopeful statement of Dr. Pusey of Harvard. He spoke of the shift away from religious indifference in the university world. He said that it was only yesterday that theology was "tolerated" in universities as a harmless survival from an earlier day; today, it is almost universally acknowledged in the academic world that "religion belongs."

Most of the replies, rejoiced over the "boom" in religion but cautioned against too much optimism. The appraisal that came from Dr. Liston Pope, Dean of the Yale Divinity School, was a good example. (I rely on the excerpts in the National Council releases - I have not yet seen the full text in Outlook.) Dr. Pope says there is no great revival going on in America, but there is definite revival of interest in religion, and moral and religious ideals are rebuilding. "Religion has a better hearing and less open opposition than at any time in this century."

He reminds us, however, that our policy decisions in world affairs are still made on power considerations rather than on religious convictions. Perhaps he has in mind the politicians who favor aid to Tito and recognition of Red China for reasons of strategy and expediency. He calls attention to the fact that relig-

### Making Marriage Click

Years ago if an American missed a stage coach, he might have said, "So what!" He then relaxed and waited two weeks for the next coach. But today if we miss the first compartment or slot in a revolving door, we may well exasperate and blow a fuse. It is this tempo in our lives today which requires a better understanding of what recreation really is.

Recreation is not an amusement. It is not just a pleasure, and it certainly is not lispation. It is of the spirit, not of the senses. "It is that which delights," St. Thomas says, "that which gives joy." Recreation must restore our energies, it must recreate. It is vital, then, that we spend our leisure time in "joyful" pre-occupation.

If a wife enjoys playing cards, that is recreation together and no husband should scold her for card playing as "silly." If a husband enjoys fishing for lost golf balls, he is recreating. Leave his alone, it is good for him. No hobby is silly, if you enjoy it.

We insist, then, that the purpose of recreation is to refresh, to relax, to replenish our energies so that we can go back to work. Recreation is not an end in itself. Too many have just the reversed notion. They work so they can make money so they can have more recreation. Hedonism is obviously still one of our major modern errors.

RECREATION is unusually important as an educational medium. The early years in every child's life is all play and it is considered the most basically influential period in their lives.

### Recreation Together Aids Family Life

By MRS. IRVING A. DE BLANCO  
(Director, Family Life Bureau, N. C. W. C.)

Play will often motivate where other means have failed. Play continues to have that influence throughout our lives. Youngsters will discipline soul and body, will go to daily Mass and Communion, or stop smoking to be better athletes.

One father goes with his children to confession every two weeks and then visits an ice cream parlor or participates with them in some amusement. Not that confession is to be regarded with horror, or that it requires bribery, but neither should confession be associated only with penitence and severity.

The power of recreation is never so profoundly felt as when a family takes a vacation together. Not only do husband and wife often rediscover themselves as partners and lovers, but the whole family understands each other in a new and closer tie. This vacation as a family, and with the whole family, should be one of our great emphasis in the coming years. Summer camps for youth have their advantages, but only if the family is not forced to sacrifice a vacation together.

There is a principle of psychology involved. It is that one tends to associate the pleasurable-ness of a situation with the people involved. A suitor is expert in this regard and wisely takes his prospective lover to the most pleasant spots possible. If she enjoys the spots, she will associate the pleasure with him.

A wife follows the same principle when she cooks wonderful meals for her husband. He associates his pleasure with her personality; it is just these things which put wood on the fire of his love.

### Strange But True

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### The Bell Tower

AGED Villager indignantly to doctor, who had told him the pain he complained of in one of his legs may be due to old-age; "Old age be damned; I'm other leg, he's the same age and he's all right."

Salesman: "Is your mother home, little boy?"

Boy sitting on steps: "Yes, sir."

Salesman (after knocking several times): "I thought you said your mother was at home."

Boy: "She is, but we don't live here."

Lady (to tramp): "If I thought you were honest, I'd let you go to the chicken house and gather eggs."

Tramp: "Lady, I wuz manager of a bath house for 15 years and never took a bath."

Mother (hearing a crash in the kitchen): "More dishes Junior?"

Junior: "No ma'am less dishes."

Author: "This is the plot of my story. A midnight scene. Two burglars creep stealthily towards the house. They climb a wall and force open a window and enter a room. Then the clock strikes one."

Lady (breathlessly): "Which one?"

Little Joe had to show his Dad how well he could ride his new Christmas bike.

Riding around the block the first time, he called out proudly, "Look dad, no hands." The next trip around he yelled, "Look, Dad, no hands, no feet."

The third time around he was strangely silent and Dad wanted to know what was the matter.

Lifting his head slowly, Little Joe said sadly, "no teeth."

Mother: "What are you doing in the pantry, Billy?"

Billy: "Fighting temptation, Mummary."

### James Connelly

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