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Fr. Lyons Club Lists Services

A Day of Recollection for members of the Father Lyons Club will be held at St. Andrew Seminary, 1150 Buffalo Road according to Joseph W. Benn, president.

Mass at 9:30 a.m. will be celebrated by the Rev. Richard M. Quinn, rector of St. Andrew Seminary. Father Quinn will preach the sermon.

A forum will be held to discuss "The Role of Laymen in Church Affairs."

In the afternoon a conference will be conducted by the Rev. Raymond M. Kenny of St. Andrew's faculty. Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament will conclude the program.

Reservations are being made with President J. Benn, Thomas Van Auken or Theodore J. Houck.

Seminarians Hear Talk By Assemblyman

Guest at the coffee hour conducted by the seniors of St. Andrew Seminary, Saturday evening Dec. 1 was the Hon. Robert Quigley, New York State Assemblyman from Ontario County.

Assemblyman Quigley discussed the life of a state legislator and answered queries put to him concerning state and national politics.

During the past two months the senior class of the seminary has been host to a number of distinguished priests and laymen.

Students have had the opportunity of hearing the Rev. John Merklinger discuss the Legion of Mary; the Rev. Benedict Ehmann on Church music; the Rev. Henry Atwell, assistant editor of the Courier-Journal, on the preparation of the diocesan weekly; Dr. Ross Arnett of St. John Fisher College on religion and science; Wilford Scott and Lawrence McVinn on the purposes of Catholic Theatre.

The next scheduled speaker will be Joseph E. McGurn, instructor in history at the Rochester Institute of Technology and specialist in Canadian affairs, speaking Dec. 8 about diplomacy and contemporary politics.

Dr. Mallon Opens Dentistry Office

Dr. John C. Mallon has opened an office at 2735 Ridge Rd. W. Greece, for the general practice of dentistry. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Mallon of the Ridge Road address, Dr. Mallon is a graduate of Aquinas Institute, Niagara University and Georgetown University Dental School.

Catholic Nurses List Holy Hour

Rochester Council of Catholic Nurses monthly Holy Hour will be conducted in Columbus Civic Center Chapel, third floor, 60 Chestnut St. on Monday, Dec. 10 from 8 to 9 p.m.

All nurses are welcome, council officers announced.

GOD LOVE YOU!

By MOST REV. FULTON J. SHEEN

A WOMAN 72 YEARS OLD and one of the last surviving members of a family of eight children, recently received notice from her bank that her life savings amounted to one thousand dollars. She knew that she would get more merit sacrificing them, now, while she is alive than surrendering it perforce when she dies. But where to send the money was another matter. It was her custom to assist at daily Mass. This particular morning she begged the Blessed Mother to inspire her concerning the most deserving charity. After Communion, with unhesitating clarity, as if an inner voice were speaking to her, she was told to send it to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith — for which sacrifice we render thanks.

We may seek out reasons why the Blessed Mother should have put the Society for the Propagation of the Faith in her mind and heart. First, because heaven is on the side of those who seek to fulfill the petition of the Lord's Prayer: "Thy Kingdom Come." Nothing is nobler than the establishment of the reign of Christ's Kingdom, the Church, in pagan lands. Second, her money will be sent to the Holy Father through the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. This is His own Pontifical Society and it is set up not to aid one society or one area of the earth, but all societies and all missions equally. He who gives to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith is making an act of faith in the Vicar of Christ.

Inasmuch as the gift was a real sacrifice, it is very likely too that Our Blessed Mother inspired the good woman to use her money for those who are making the greatest sacrifice in the Church, namely our Missionaries. Heaven is on the side of the Missions... why not you? Deny yourself, every day, some little pleasure; for such is the condition of holiness. Even cut into your savings and then offer it for the Church in pagan lands, out of love for God, and we will give you a "God Love You."

GOD LOVE YOU TO P.V.P. "Money has always 'slipped through' my fingers easily so this month I shall let some 'slip through' for the Missions."... E.C. "Enclosed is a check for \$307.00 a regular per cent of my salary which goes to God's poor, with a prayer that I may become more grateful to Him for giving me the strength to work after a bad breakdown."... to N.C.C. "Here is an offering of \$10 for the Missions. I am sixteen and have been saving ten cents a week for over a year. I am still saving so you will receive another check in the future."... to Mrs. W.F. "Instead of the gallon of ice cream for our freezer this week, here is the \$2 for the Missions."... to C.E.W. \$1. "this represents a non investment in ten pieces of the best chocolate cake this side of heaven... some days with white frosting, some days with chocolate."... to V.F. "Some months ago I promised the Blessed Mother that if I passed all the subjects in school I would send 50 cents per subject. So here is the \$2.50 for the five subjects I took and passed."... to J.J.M. "I am enclosing a money order for \$2.00 for your Missions. Instead of gambling on the football parlay cards, I'm gonna gamble on the Missions and win."

If you have caught the real Christmas spirit then you will want to give a spiritually significant gift... a lovely statue of Our Lady of Television which is an exact reproduction of the statue seen on Bishop Sheen's television program. When you send your \$3 offering to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith ORDER DEPARTMENT 366 5th Ave. New York, New York, you will receive a gift to be given to a friend and at the same time you will be giving a gift to the missionaries of the world who are spreading knowledge of Our Lady throughout the pagan lands!

Cut out this column, pin your sacrifice to it and mail it to the Most Rev. Fulton J. Sheen, National Director of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, 336 Fifth Avenue, New York 1st, N. Y., or your Diocesan Director, Rev. George S. Wood, 50 Chestnut Street, Rochester 4, New York.



TROPHY PRESENTATION is made by Col. Noah J. Rodheffer, U.S.M.C. to Cadet Lieut Thomas J. Steimer at annual fall inspection in Nazareth Hall Cadet School.

Annual Fall Inspection Held At Cadet School

A snappy cadence, and a flawless appearance spelled victory for the first platoon at the annual fall inspection held Nov. 29 at Nazareth Hall Cadet School.

Guest inspectors were Colonel Noah J. Rodheffer, U.S.M.C.; Lt. James Beates, U.S.N., and Lt. J. Larry Thrope, U.S.N., of the University of Rochester, N.R.O.T.C. facility.

THE FOUR platoons assembled for an inspection of appearance and posture and then presented individual demonstrations of military commands and drill team maneuvers. The rating for these two phases of the inspection formed the basis of the selection of the winner.

In his speech announcing the victor, Col. Rodheffer congratulated the entire Battalion and reminded the boys that while a "fallor" could not be a uniform-to-fit them it was only a life of personal integrity and honor which would enable them to fit their uniform.

Also present as guests of honor were the Rev. Francis R. Davis, school chaplain and drillmasters Captain Joseph A. Schimment, U.S.M.C. and Sergeant Richard Kerr, U.S.M.C.

Holy Day Masses Listed

Time of Mass on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, Dec. 8, as received this week, follows: Sacred Heart Cathedral, Flower City Park—5:30, 6:15, 7, 8, 9, 11:45 a.m.; 12:20 noon; and 5:30 p.m. (afternoon).

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Joseph Ave.—5:30, 6:30, 7:30, 9 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. (afternoon).

St. John's, Greece — Ridge Road West—6, 7, 8, 9, 10 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. (afternoon).

St. Bridget's, Gorham St.—6, 7, 8, 9 and 12:15 p.m. (noon). Immaculate Conception, Plymouth Ave. North—6, 7, 8 and 9 a.m.; 12:15 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. (afternoon).

Corpus Christi, Main St. East—6, 6:30, 7, 7:30, 8, 9 a.m.; 12:10 (noon), 4:40 and 5:15 p.m. (afternoon); 7:45 p.m. (evening).

St. Mary's, South St.—7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 11:45 a.m.; 12 (noon); 12:15, 12:30 and 5:15 and 5:30 p.m. (afternoon); 6 p.m.

St. Joseph, Franklin St.—4:30, 5:30, 6:30, 7:30, 8, 9 and 11:30 a.m.; 12:10 (noon) and 12:40 p.m. 5:30 p.m. (afternoon).

St. Patrick, Plymouth Ave. North—6, 6:30, 7, 7:30, 8, 8:30, 9, 11:50 a.m. 12:20 p.m. (noon).

Knights To Plan 1958 Conclave

Committee heads for the 1958 Supreme Convention of the Knights of St. John to be held in Rochester in July of that year will be appointed tonight (Friday, Dec. 7).

Also to be appointed at the fourth quarterly meeting—of Rochester District Commandery of the First Regiment of New York at the Knights and Ladies of St. John Club, 363 Andrews St. are the Installing Officers for 1957.

BOOK SHELF To The Priesthood

ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD, by John Bligh, S.J., Sheed, '56. 189 pp. \$3.00.

CHRISTOPHER NEWS NOTES, No. 79, Dec. '56. The Christophers, 18 E. 48th St., New York 17, N.Y. 4 pp. No cost for one; 50c a hundred, postpaid.

"Not a pious meditation," says the young author of Ordination to the Priesthood "but a liturgical and theological essay, written in the belief that a careful analysis of the rite will in the end be more conducive to solid piety than a devotional treatment of the subject could be."

"A NEW BOOK on the priesthood puts the rest in the shade," says J. J. Martin, D.D., in the London Catholic Herald. "All candidates for the priesthood should read it at least during their final year. In so doing, they will have a great advantage over their predecessors."

Rev. Bligh gives clear answers, says this critic, to vexed questions as to what is meant by the "substance" of a sacrament, or whether the Church is able to determine and to alter the matter and form of the sacrament of Ordination. A most readable and interesting book, of great scholarship and merit, page by page.

Though I dare not review it, I long to advertise it as a book that families of priests and teachers of boys and girls ought to possess. Now is a good time, because what makes our celebration of Advent and of Christmas possible every year is — ordination to the priesthood. What gives us Christ day in and day out is — ordination to the priesthood.

The minor details, about which I might venture a word, are delightful. The style is tensely clear, perfectly controlled, not without humor; the pursuit of an idea or the tracing of the history of a rite unwavering and sure.

Devotion is inspired by such slight bits of information as this — that the word "parish" means "a group of pilgrims." A parish is a group-on-its-way-to-God! It can be thought about. (And the serene bishops and ordinands but worried-looking and busily consulting assistants in the background, are rather good.)

TO FEEL CHRISTMAS all during this month, send a little something to the little paper that wouldn't die, despite all the horrendous prophecies of its swift demise — Father Keller's Christopher News Notes. Read the December story of how the Christopher books saved Argentina from dictatorship, no less.

Or read the following: "Crowds on the subway to Coney Island were surprised a few months ago to find a listing of the Ten Commandments among the ads for soap, sienderizing and chewing gum. 1500 subway cars carried the advertisement for an entire month at a cost of \$400 to the resourceful individual responsible for it."

"Although the ad bore only the simple statement 'paid for by a friend,' news reporters were not satisfied. They decided to search out the anonymous donor. This was not easy for the originator of the idea had sworn the few who knew about it to secrecy.

"Eventually the newsmen discovered that it was Miss Adelaide O'Mara, a stenographer at the New York Life Insurance Co., who had planned and executed this unique way of bringing the Mosaic law to the attention of tens of thousands of subway riders.

"MISS O'MARA quietly explained her reason for undertaking her action in this way: 'I have heard it said that sometimes a small thing can change the world.' "Reporters first thought that she was probably acting for some religious group. Modestly, Miss O'Mara firmly emphasized that her action had not been sponsored—it was something entirely on her own.

"As with all good deeds, there was a good person behind this accomplishment. Miss O'Mara's project began with a deep desire to share with others the spiritual truths intended for all by God and needed by all without exception. Ever since I read 'You can Change The World' some years ago, I have been thinking of how I could do this, she remarked.

"But more than a noble desire was necessary. To follow through with the idea took considerable time, effort and money. But where there is a Christlike will, there is a Christlike way. Miss O'Mara looked up the company handling subway advertisements, discussed and settled all details with them and paid the entire \$400 cost out of her savings, part of which was a bonus given her two years ago by her employers.

"THIS APOSTOLIC effort made a deep impression on far more than the Coney Island subway riders. All New York newspapers featured the story. And Miss O'Mara, who started off by wanting the whole matter a television program. She humbly accepted these opportunities when she realized that they offered unusual missionary openings to bring a great reverence for the Ten Commandments to millions more.

"Then, too, she realized, it might remind countless others to show a little imagination and enterprise in bringing into the marketplace spiritual truths that are vitally needed for the very survival of Christian civilization.

"Many more individuals would be up and doing, we feel sure, if they sensed the important role they can play in drawing men to God. Our Blessed Saviour stressed this when He said: Let your light shine before your fellowmen, that they may see your good example and glorify your Father in heaven."

Armenian Patriarch Vartan Chy — (NC) — His Eminence Gregory Peter, XV Cardinal Agagianian, Patriarch of Cilicia of the Armenians, has arrived here to confer with Vatican authorities concerning the drawing up of a code of canon law for the eastern rites.

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