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Springfield, Mass. — (NC) — Prayers For Red Victims announced that a five million

blshop Francis P. Keough, of Baltimore, Chairman, Administrative Board, National Catholic Welfare Conference, in connection with the Day of Prayer for the victims of religious persecution to be observed Sunday, December 30, 1956, in Catholic Churches throughout the United States.

With the sound of the Hungarian tragedy still ringing in our ears, there is little likelihood that we of the free world will forget the sufferings of our fellow Christians of that nation as they end this year in the darkness of renewed slav-

IN ONE HEROIC gesture, they have laid bare to the whole world the unchanging evil character of the Soviet regime; they have clearly Shown that the human spirit cannot be warped and moulded by brute force, and that love of freedom cannot be killed by even the most cruel and complete op-

Their truly noble uprising and the frightfulness of their repression serve as a vivid reminder of all those who for so long have borne the yoke of atheistic communism.

For forty years now in dothat have come under the evil and inhuman rule, members of the Church of Silence have suffered, bled and died for their Christian faith. Never in history has any body of Christians borne such widespread and unrelenting persecution. Even in the pagan days of the Caesars there were intervals of quiet and places where the poor and obscure were left unmolested.

IN OUR OWN day, however, throughout the whole vast territory under Red domination in Eastern Europe and in Asia, a constant, grinding terror has everywhere and at all times made itself felt.

Perhaps from their ancient exemplars modern tyrants have learned the lesson that, as long as even a few of the faithful are left, they are certain to raise up from the seed of their martyred brothers a Christian Church which in the end will prevail.

Truth crushed to earth will rise again. In spite of long years of persecution all evidence bespeaks a still large body of Christians whose faith has been but deepened by their trials. We are confident that, with the grace of God, they will endure steadfast and will bear

Daily Mass Calendar

mas, Creed, Preface and Can. danger when I delivered a child, on prayers of Christmas.

Monday, December 31 — St. Syl-2nd prayer of Christmas, Creed,

uesday, January 1 — Circumcision of our Lord (white), Gloria, Creed, Preface and Canon prayers of Christmas. HOLY DAY.

Creed, Preface of Christmas. Tuesday except no Creed.

Tuesday except no Creed. First Saturday, January 5 Saturday Mass of our Lady!

ROCHESTER, NEW YORK

"There were nominees from 48 states and I didn't think I had a chance," Dr. Gans said. He was Sheed, theologian, lecturer, writer in a hotel room reading a news, and publisher, was rushed to a paper when he was told the hospital unconscious after falling

I say the official pledge of the planking and dived headlong to Holy Name Society." He also is the pavement.

a member of the Knights of Latest report from the hospital

Church Strength In Poland Cited

Washington, D.C. - (RNS) Washington, D.C. (RNS) Red Zone Santas Polish Prime Minister, said here Talks Socialism agreement in Poland proves that \\ Berlin \rightarrow (NC) - When Santa

people but a "matter of practical the influence of the Church."

Mr. Mikolajczyk expressed be-Polish patriots are "strong."

ther disorder, he said.

Dec. 30 Day Of Prayer



My Dear People:

The Bishops of the United States have designated Sunday, December 30, as "A Day Of Prayer For The Victims Of Religious Persecution."

In our Diocese I would like this Day of Prayer observed in every Church by special prayers and by public Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament from the last Mass until late afternoon or early evening.

We in the United States of America have very much for which to be grateful. We do well to remember this and to thank God for it. Especially at this time of the year as we approach another year of freedom, of plenty, and of hope, we must not forget our persecuted brothers who stand on the brink of another desolate year of persecution and terror.

Please pray that God may humble all tyrants and grant peace and freedom to those who so patiently have borne their heavy burdens.

With a blessing, I am

Your devoted Shepherd in Christ, Jana Eteamy Bishop of Rochester

hundredfold. BECAUSE THE sufferings of these our brothers require special graces of fortitude and perseverance, at this season when we stand near the beginning of another year of plenty and hope. and they on the brink of another desolate year of per-

secution and terror, we call

to the Church of Christ fruit a , upon all Catholics of our Country to unite on Sunday. December 30, in a day of prayer and in this we beseech all men of good will to join us - that God may speedily humble all tyrants and grant peace and freedom to those who so patiently have borne their

Family Doctor Of Year Baptized Many Babies

Harlowton, Mont. - (NC) - The American Medical Association's "General Practitioner Of The Year" can't remember how many infants he baptized, but it has been estimated that during his 51 years of, practice he delivered

more than 2,250 babies. The honored 80-year-old Dr. Edward M. Gans, a member of would be impossible even to guess at the number of bables I Sunday, December 30 — Sunday baptized in my 51 years as a after Christmas (white), family doctor — but they were Gloria, 2nd prayer of Christ., many, If I saw there was any

I always baptized." THROUGH HIS long medical vester, pope (white). Gloria, practice, Dr. Gans said he always told the priest so he could record Preface and Canon prayers of it. Sometimes I would discuss a medico-moral problem; with a priest. And always, no matter the patient's religion, if I saw death was close I called the patient's

clergyman immediately." Dr. Gans is from a family of 13 children. He spent his child-Wednesday, January 2 — Holy hood on a farm near St. Cloud. Name of Jesus (white), Gloria, Minn. He recalled that his parents "were strong Catholics, Thursday, January 3 — Mass as deeply religious." Six of the children still are living. Two broth-Friday, January 4 — Mass as ers, Father Peter and Leo Gans, were ordained for the St. Cloud diocese.

DR. GANS WAS nominated for (white), Gloria, 2nd prayer of the AMA honor last September St. Telesphorus, Preface of by the Montana Association of the AMA. His son, Dr. Paul Gans, persuaded him to attend the convention in Stattle which voted

Dr. and Mrs. Gans are active Dr. Sheed while addressing the in affairs of St. Joseph's parish browd at "Speakers Corner," the here. He is a member of the park's open air forum which is parish Holy Name Society and bue of the sights of London, sliphe said: "Every day of my life ped off the fragile rain-soaked

the present Communist regime Claus appears at a children's recognizes that the Church is party in the Soviet Zone of Ger-

stronger today than ever." He said the agreement was not his talks with the children center "humanitarian" act or a desire about "world peace and a happy to grant religious freedom to the socialist future. political necessity to recognize communist magazine published

lief that the agreement "will not e easily broken by the Polish stooges of Russia" because the ans from this country and Can-'olish patriots are "strong." | ada will attend the national con-The government's failure to vention of the Mariological Socirecognize the Church in the prestety in the Hotel Morrison here,

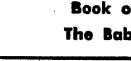
convention had voted him the from a Catholic Evidence Guild honor

is that he is suffering from concussion and severe bruising. He has had to cancel all immediate engagements. Dr. Sheed, well known in the

many, he should be careful that

in the Soviet sector here.

Chicago - (NC) - Theologient critical internal situation January 3 and 4. The society prowould have eventually led to fur motes study of the Blessed ther disorder, he said.



Olympic Champion Wins Again

Cambridge, Mass. -(NC)-- Charles Jenkins, Olympic 400-meter champion from Cambridge,

Mass., (center) beams as his bride, the former Phyllis G. Randolph, shakes hands with Olympic

hammer throw champion Harold Connolly in Boston. The fleetfooted Jenkins and Miss Randolph

were married in St. Richard's Church.

FROM THE BOOK OF THE And her hand leaves His light BABE, written through the Sifted to suit our sight . . . centuries:

In the Middle Ages. He came all so stille

BOOK

SHELF

To His moder's bower As dew in Aprilla That falleth on flower.

He came all so stille Where His moder lay As dew in Aprille That falleth on spray.

"Our Lord," says Walter Hilton, "through His shining of His blessed light touched my blind heart and showed to my sight that it was a snare of death, this love and liking of the world that I stood in. And with the sweet feeling of His love He brake mightily this snare, and delivered me nut of it."

"O MARY," says Thomas a turned prophet, Kempia "you are the palace of garden of charm, the well of graces, the glory of angels, the joy of men . . . O Virgin of virgins, all sweet and beautiful . . .

O mild Virgin, innocent as a lamb..... wise as a noble lady, serving like a humble handmaid! O holy source, high cedar, fruitful vine, most sweet fig tree, most wide-spreading palm tree. in you all good things are to be found . . .

"God is my gift," sang the martyr-to-be Southwell, "Himself He freely gave me, God's gift am I. and none but God shall have Me!" and in another poem,

"Come kiss the manger where He lies

That is your bliss above the today with Father Tabb,

9skies . . . This little Babe, so few days

Is come to rifle Satan's fold." In the more peaceful yet dark-

er days of the 17th century: O Thou whose glorious, yet

contracted light Wrapt in night's mantle, stole into a manger . . .

The sherherds sing; and shall I silent be? My God, no hymne for thee?

(Herbert) The Babe look't up and show'd

His Face-In spits of Darkness, it was Day.

It was thy day, Sweet! and did Not from the East, but from

thine. Eyes . . . We saw thee: and we blest. the sight.

We saw thee by thine own sweet light. (Crashaw)

And later still, in the second Spring:

Father Faber, to Mary— Church Blessed And what wonders have been

Taipel, Formosa - (NC) - The All the day and all the night, While the angels fell before thee To adore the Light of Light ...

It was Heaven, it was Heaven, Come before its time to thee! AND HOPKINS, on the Two: Through her, we may see Him

Made sweeter, not made dim,

Bishop In Islands The Babe Washington — (NC) — Father Vincent Kennally, S.J., a native 48r. Margaret Teresa, Nazarèth College - of Boston, has been named by Pope Pius XII to be Titular Bish-

Islands.

U.S. Jesuit Named

op of Sassura and Vicar Apostolic

of the Caroline — Marshall

He served as Apostolic Admin-

istrator and Regular Superior of the Caroline Marshall Vicariate

from 1947 to 1952, and has been

Vice Provincial of the Philippine

Vice Province of the Society of

Bishop-Designate Kennally auc-

ceeds another native of Boston,

Bishop Thomas J. Feeney, S.J.

the first Vicar Apostolic of the

Caroline—Marshall Islands, who

lesus since 1952.

And Belloc: ... It was our little Lord

Whom all the Kings in arms adored. He was so small you could

not see His large intent of Courtesy. Jessica Powers' picture is beau-

tifully in the tradition: The angels sang at Christmas, but their music

Was like as petals from a shaken bough ... This house . . , is the little -m-hospice

Of Bethlehem. ... And they who enter learn a wordless language And'the Divine Untold addresses them.

Peguy is like a grandfather

The angels had formed into The angels sang like flowers in the night,

Above the shenherds, above the wise kings. The angels in the night sang everlastingly

Under the kindness of heaven under its youthfulness, under its eternity Like song flowers, like hymn

flowers like prayer flowers like grace flowers, Like a flowering, like aleafing, like a frution of grace.

Auden too exults: Let us run to learn How to love and run;

Let us run to Love. Run to Bethlehem!

And we all say to ourselves I have found in the Tower of

Ivorv A little One asleep. I have carried Him down the

mountain. 'He is mine to keep. INSIDE. WE sing like the bells

of the world, the Christian bells of the free countries, rung this year especially for peace, by request of Plus XII:

"Every wind is wet with carillons . . . The bells of Ireland, jesting

all the way, The English bells, slow bosomed as a swan,

The queenly, weary din of

Notre Dame. . . Then Spain, the Moors still moaning through the saint The frosty, fiery bells of

Germany . . . The heavy, joyful pack of thunder-jowls That tongue hosannas from the

leash of Rome ...

New Formosa

Church reached another Formosın milestone in mid-Advent when Archbishop Joseph Kuo of Taipei blessed the 80th church to be built in his archdiocese since

In 1952 there were only eight churches in the whole See, and the additional churches have been necessary to keep pace with the growth of Catholics, increased from 4,311 in 1952 to 24,141 in

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Vatican Denies Cardinal Story

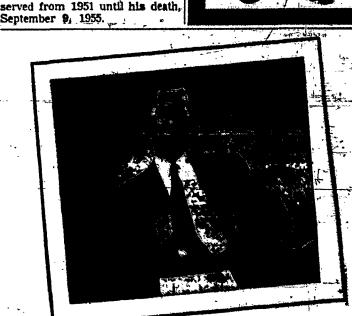
Valican City (RNS)
The Valican Radio denied feports by a foreign news
agency that the Valican and
the United States government had "approved" memoirs dis-tated in Budapest by Josef Car-dinal Mindasenty, Catholic Primate of Hungary.

The Vatican knows mothing of these memoirs by Cardinal Mindstenty, much less of their confirmation and examination," the station said.

Cardinal Mindszenty has been taking refuge at the American logation in Budapest since Nov. , when Russian forces reentered the capital to crush the insurrection which broke out on Oct. 23.





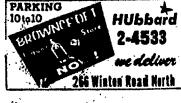


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