



Sodality Candlemass Day Rites

FEAST OF THE PURIFICATION ceremony of Rochester area sodalists held at St. Bliniface Church, Rochester Sunday, Feb. 3 at 4 p.m. shows distribution of candles by His Excellency, Auxiliary Bishop Casey who has just handed candle to Miss Grace Corcoran, president of Rochester Parish Sodality Union. Participating in the Sanctuary are: the Rev. Richard Torney, director of school sodalities; Monsignor John E. Maney, Chancellor; the Rev. Edwin R. Wedow and the Rev. James J. Marvin, assistant parish sodality director. (HITone Photo.)

Ground To Be Broken For Convent

Groundbreaking for the new convent to house Sisters of Mercy who teach in St. Thomas School, Irondequoit will take place on Monday, Feb. 11 following Solemn Mass in St. Thomas Church at 9 a.m. according to the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Richard K. Burns, pastor.

The two-story convent to be erected on the site on Washington Ave. will have accommodations for 18 nuns. The chapel will be a separate building but connected with the convent.

Among invited guests at the ceremony will be Reverend Mother M. Magdalen of the Sisters of Mercy.

The earth turning ceremony in which Monsignor Burns and committee members of the parish will participate will take place on the site for the new chapel in front of which will be erected a statue of the Blessed Mother. This will become a permanent shrine, Monsignor Burns said.

Seton Workers List Meetings

Annual White Elephant Sale and Tea of the Seventh Seton Branch of St. Mary's Hospital will be held at the home of Mrs. Rudolph C. Siebert, 109 Sandringham Road on Sunday, Feb. 10 at 2:30 p.m.

A large attendance is anticipated according to Mrs. George F. Schaefer, secretary.

Members of the 11th Seton Branch, St. Mary's Hospital have scheduled an important meeting for 10 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 14 in the nurses home lounge. Hostesses will be Mesdames George J. Martin, Edward E. Haubner, Henry A. Hoderlein and Herbert J. Erb.

A luncheon meeting of Branch 22, Seton Workers, St. Mary's Hospital will be held at the home of Mrs. Thomas Sear, 25 Edgebrook Road, at noon, Wednesday, Feb. 13.

Bishop Casey To Address Convent Campaign Workers

His Excellency Auxiliary Bishop Lawrence B. Casey will address more than 150 men of Holy Ghost Church, Gates, at 6 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 9, on the eve of their fund campaign for erection of a new convent on the Coldwater Road parish property.

Parishwide solicitation is scheduled from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 10. Minimum goal is \$80,000 in three-year pledges.

Bishop Casey will be presented at the parish hall kickoff dinner Saturday by the Rev. Albert J. Geiger, pastor. Guests will include the Very Rev. John F. Murphy, C.S.B., president of St. John Fisher College; the Very Rev. Gerald J. Whelan, C.S.S.R., rector of St. Joseph's Church, Rochester; the Rev. Donald Lux, pastor of St. John the Evangelist's Church, Greece; and the Rev. Charles Snyder, pastor of St. Leo's Church, Buffalo, a nephew of Father Geiger.

CONSTRUCTION OF the two-story brick convent already has begun and completion is expected in August. It will replace the present inadequate frame dwelling now housing six School Sisters of Notre Dame who staff Holy Ghost School. The old convent building will be razed to add to the parking area.

The new building will provide occupancy for a capacity of 10 Sisters, and will include a chapel, community room, two reception parlors, kitchen and laundry.

Father Geiger has asked parishioners to remain at home Sunday until contacted by a solicitor, and to be prepared to make a pledge involving a sacrifice. He pointed out that parishioners "will not be able to match the great sacrifices made daily by our good Sisters for the welfare of our parish."

CHAIRMAN of the campaign committee is Robert J. Wahl of Coldwater Road, assisted by James Griffin and Robert Hansford as vicechairs. Heading the advanced gifts' group is Joseph Entress, with Donald Meagher, John Russer and Arthur Wischniwer as group leaders. Frank Babel is chairman of the advisory committee.

Holy Ghost parishioners have a long tradition in providing for religion education. In 1865—ten years before the first mission church was constructed—the small group of Catholic families in the Buffalo Road community hired a layman part time to teach

Lenten Discussion Club Booklet Named For 1957

"The Holy Spirit and His Work" by the Rev. Leo J. Trese of Detroit, Mich. will be the Lenten Discussion Club Booklet for 1957, the Rev. Albert H. Schnacky, director of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine announced today.

Lenten Discussion Clubs in the Diocese of Rochester carry on their programs from Ash Wednesday, March 6 to Easter Sunday, April 21. This year it is suggested by Father Schnacky that the clubs continue on after Lent.

Some of the Chapter headings in this year's booklet are titled: "The Unknown Person, What is Grace? The Grace that comes and goes; Wellsprings of Life, What is Merit? What is Virtue? Hope and Love and Wonders within us."

MEMBERSHIP Certificates will be issued at the end of Lent to all who have participated in the Lenten Discussion Club program. Cost of the booklet is fifty cents retail and the booklets will be delivered by Trant's. Father Schnacky said.

Chicago Post Set For Father Hilbert

The Rev. Charles P. Hilbert of Rochester, has been assigned to represent the Maryknoll House in Chicago, Ill. according to M. arkynoll headquarters.

Father Hilbert, a veteran missionary, who devoted 25 of the past 30 years of his life to work among the Chinese was expelled when the Communists took over China. Following his expulsion from China, Father Hilbert has worked in the missions of Formosa until his recent Chicago assignment.

A native of Rochester, Father Hilbert attended St. Andrew and St. Bernard seminaries before entering Maryknoll in 1923. He is the brother of Mrs. Karl Vogt of 249 Herald St. Edward J. Hilbert of 450 Fullman Ave. and James C. Hilbert of 146 Normandy Ave. all in Rochester.

Camp Stella Maris announced today that the boys encampment C (July 14-July 27) is completely filled. A limited number of boys will be accepted on the waiting list. There are still some vacancies in the other boys and girls encampments.

Due to heavy registration, camp officials advise parents to register immediately.

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'Queen' To Take Pilgrims To Europe

THE 'QUEEN ELIZABETH', largest passenger ship afloat, will take Courier Journal pilgrims to Europe for a 49 day summer tour of eight countries. Rochester travel agencies have announced five definite reservations have already been made for the trip. They urge inquiries to "book early" in order to secure best accommodations on the famed ship scheduled to sail June 12 from New York. A descriptive booklet is available free at Wylder's, DeFres, and Kaitzleisch travel bureaus, Rochester, or from the Courier Journal office, 35 Scofield Bldg.

Mission Guild Opens Annual Member Drive

Annual membership drive of Catholic Mission Guild will be opened Monday, Feb. 10 at 8:15 p.m. in Columbus Civic Center with Mrs. Walter Selecki presiding.

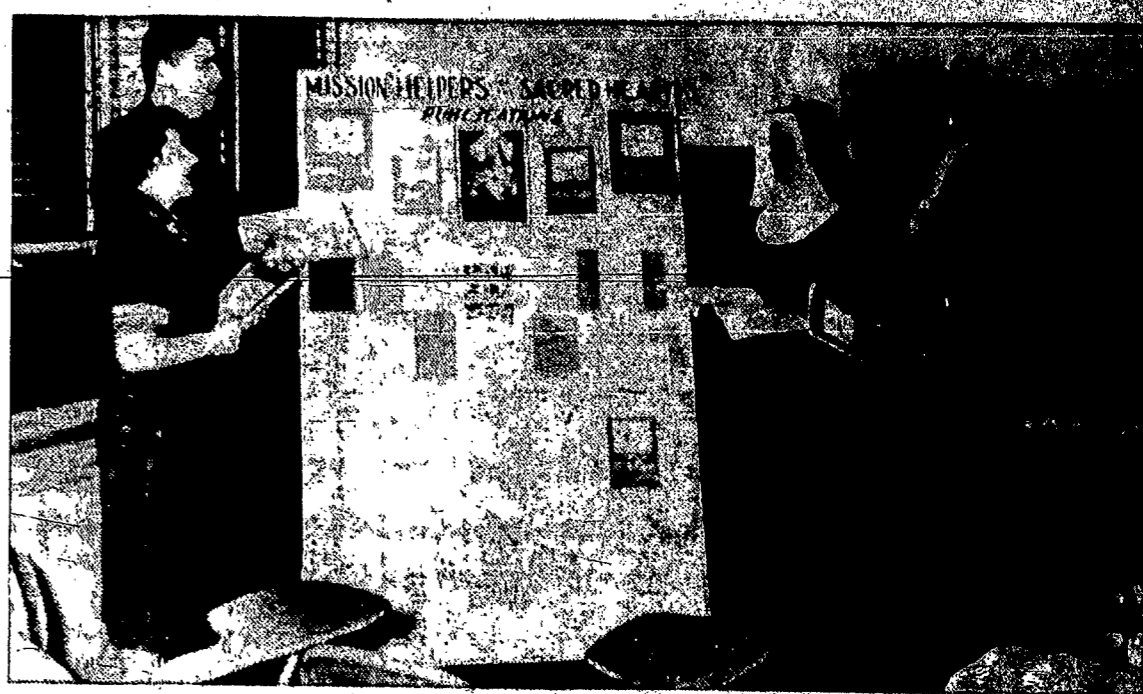
Mrs. Lewis Prindling, membership chairman asks captains to attend. After a short business session, a social program will be held with games and prizes. Refreshments will be served.

DCCW Board Meets In Geneva

Geneva—The president of the eight-deanery Rochester Diocesan Council, National Council of Catholic Women and diocesan chairmen reported on activities of various affiliations at the quarterly meeting on Sunday in the Geneva Knights of Columbus Home.

Mrs. Theodore Strohmyer, president, reported on the national convention held in Chicago. The Rev. E. Leo McManus, moderator spoke on various workshops conducted, including those on opposition to obscene pictures and literature.

In the absence of Mrs. J. Howard Groden, president of Geneva Deanery, who is ill, Miss Edith Chaochla, presided. Moderators attending were the Rev. Robert Smith, the Rev. Otto Vogt and the Rev. James M. Connelly.



LAY CATECHISTS will come from classes at the School of Religion, Assumption, Fairport here shown in session. In photo are: the Rev. Richard A. Hart with the Rev. Leonard A. Kelly, teaching Christian doctrine; Mrs. Josephine Totora; Sister Maureen, M.H.S.R., and Michael Lucci, comparing high school and elementary texts contributed to the Confraternity field by the Mission Helpers of the Sacred Heart.

46 Enrolled In Lay Catechist Training In Fairport Center

Sixteen Rochester parishes with 46 lay representatives are taking the specialized training in religious teaching at the Assumption School of Religion at 10 Bannock Place Fairport, headquarters for the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine Lay Catechist Training Classes. It was reported this week.

A growing interest among the laity of the Diocese of Rochester is reported. Persons interested in the program, second semester for which is about to begin are invited to the March 11 meeting for additions to begin the course next September.

The wrecked classroom housed about 40 children. Their classes will be held temporarily in another room in the building according to Father Florkack.

In March, 1955, St. Michael Church was heavily damaged by fire. Damage at that time was about \$50,000.

THE COURSE leads to a diploma and definite standards must be met according to the Rev. Leonard A. Kelly, pastor of Our Lady of the Assumption Church, Fairport. Those interested are urged to contact Father Kelly.

A 30-hour course in Christian Doctrine is taught by Father Kelly on Monday evenings and by the Rev. Richard A. Hart, assistant pastor of the Fairport church. The priests are giving the group of lay catechists a thorough course in doctrine to assure the future lay teachers of knowing Christ's truths well.

In addition to, knowing the Catechism, the catechists must take apart the abstract questions, and their answers must be able to formulate the truth correctly. Father Kelly said.

SISTER MAUREEN of the Mission Helpers of the Sacred Heart is conducting the 30-hour course in the adaptive way method of teaching religion.

The course consists of lectures and demonstrations on the use of confraternity materials. Objectives and teaching techniques are discussed and lesson plans are worked out.

The Mission Helpers engage in the exclusive work of teaching religion to Catholic children attending public grade and high schools and to adults. The Mission Helpers have published works aiding the confraternity work.

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