

Holy See Issues New Rules On Holy Week Rites

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Vatican City — (NC) — The Holy See has given permission for certain modifications of the sweeping changes made in the liturgy of Holy Week last year.

Permission for the changes mainly allowing an extension of the time limits for the main services of Holy Thursday and Good Friday afternoon and evening — was given in a document issued by the Sacred Congregation of Rites.

The document, signed by the congregation's prefect, His Eminence Gaetano Cardinal Cicognani, states that the restoration introduced in the liturgical order of Holy Week last year was received with great satisfaction and conducted with great success.

The new rules have been issued with the approval of His Holiness Pope Pius XII. It said as a solution to certain practical difficulties cited by bishops in their reports on the use of the reformed liturgy in their sees.

AMONG OTHER things, the modifications allow:

• An "intermediate form" of celebrating the Holy Week functions by a priest and deacon without a subdeacon.

• The main Mass of Palm Sunday, immediately following the blessing of palms and processions, may take place in the afternoon. The palms may be blessed outside the church — in the open air if necessary.

• Holy Communion may be taken "to the sick either in the morning or afternoon" at Holy Thursday.

• Time for celebration of Holy Thursday Masses is extended from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m.

• Time for celebration of the Good Friday service is extended from noon until 9 p.m.

At the same time, the document stressed that the Easter Vigil service of Holy Saturday night must be timed so that the Mass begins about midnight except in those churches where the bishop finds it absolutely necessary to hold it earlier.

• Good Friday adoration of the Cross may be performed by the people en masse, instead of individually, when the crowds are so great that good order and devotion might be endangered.

Albany Solons Move Against Sex Magazines

Albany — (RNS) — Members of the Joint Committee on Obscene Publications continued their crackdown on indecent literature by introducing three bills in the state legislature aimed at outlawing "sex magazines" which they said are "currently flooding the state."

One of the measures calls for the banning of magazines or pamphlets composed of pictures, cartoons, stories and advertisements "featuring and primarily devoted to the commercial exploitation" of sex.

Another would implement the state law against tie-in sales to prohibit penalties against dealers who refuse to take publications because they believe them to be obscene.

The third proposal would broaden an existing law to allow district attorneys to bring proceedings to stop the sales of these publications.

The bills are designed to "eliminate all question of doubt," a spokesman for the committee said, regarding the type of publication the present state laws prohibit.

Children, Family Court Proposed

Albany, N.Y. — (RNS) — Establishment of a new court system for children and family matters was proposed today by Albany County Judge Robert J. S. ...

The Catholic representatives appeared at a public hearing of a proposed simplified statewide court system. They said they were opposed to any plan to set up a special family court within the framework of the New York State Supreme Court.

Courier Drive

Parishes Report Circulation Gains

Thirteen additional parishes reported this week they will continue "total family coverage" in the Courier-Journal's current subscription campaign.

This brings to twenty five the number of parishes renewing their 1956 plan of sending the diocesan paper to all families of these parishes.

Present subscriptions expire with the March 29th issue. New subscriptions will start April 5, according to Elmer Grapenstetter, circulation manager.

St. Alphonsus, Amherst, despite establishment during the past year of nearby Sacred Heart Parish, Oswego, has reported a total of 1218 subscriptions. Monsignor Frederick G. Straub, pastor, said this figure includes 142 new subscriptions for St. Alphonsus parish.

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Civic Leaders To Conduct Radio Rosary

Church and civic leaders will highlight week-long observance of the seventh anniversary of the "Family Rosary For Peace" broadcast nightly over Rochester radio station W.S.A.Y.

First in the series will be Auxiliary Bishop Lawrence B. Casey on Tuesday's broadcast, Feb. 26.

The Rosary is heard each night in a half hour program starting at 7 p.m.

A NATIONALLY accredited survey this week announced that the Family Rosary program holds the highest rating of any regular evening radio broadcast in the Rochester area, drawing as high as 75,000 listeners.

Climax of the seventh anniversary will be the broadcast on Monday, March 4, by Eugene Stewart accompanied by his wife and 17 children.

Following the Monday evening broadcast the seven members of the Mariland Lee family of Jay St., Rochester, will be baptized and received into the Catholic Church. The Lee's became interested in the faith by listening to the Rosary broadcast.

Scheduled to lead in recitation of the Rosary besides Bishop Casey are John E. Keenan of the Rochester Board of Education, Feb. 27; Frank E. Wolfe of Timeley Clothes, representing industry, Feb. 28; Dr. Joseph Lane, representing the medical profession, March 1; Judge Joseph G. Fritsch, civil government, March 2; James Burke, labor, March 3.

FATHER JOSEPH Cirincione, director of the Family Rosary program, stated that the 1956 goal of 5 million Rosaries was passed by an additional 10 million.

The estimated total Rosaries said by listeners to the program during the past seven years has reached at least 60 million, he said.

Broadcasts originate at the St. Francis and Agatha churches at Whitney St., Rochester.



'Iron Curtain' Ordinations

Warsaw — (NC) — Cardinal Wyszynski, Primate of Poland, gives Holy Communion (top photo) to 25 newly ordained priests in Warsaw's Cathedral, while photo at left shows different view of Poland's new priests, first ordained by the Cardinal since his release from Communist imprisonment. Poland has no shortage of vocations, but incessant godless Communist propaganda and Red attacks on moral conduct, have lessened the number of candidates to the priesthood in the last five years.

'Dark Cloud On National Horizon'

'Informed Laity' Urged For Easing Catholic-Protestant Tensions In U.S.

Washington — (NC) — A Catholic editor expressed concern here over what he termed the "rapidly growing tensions which exist between us Catholics and our Protestant fellow-Americans."

Father Thurston N. Davis, S.J., editor of America, a weekly national review, told some 300 members of the John Carroll Society, an organization for business and professional men here, that:

"Tension between Catholics and Protestants is like a dark cloud looming on our civic and social horizons here in the United States."

THE JESUIT said this tension can be lessened by intelligent, informed Catholic laymen who are able to explain those issues most often misunderstood by non-Catholics and most often responsible for friction.

Father Davis said the major sources of trouble are: 1) The Church's teaching on birth con-

trol; 2) the role of parochial schools and the issue of transportation for their pupils; 3) Catholic efforts to discourage production of indecent literature and movies; 4) Catholics and the presidency.

On birth control, he said that Protestants often look upon the Church's stand against it "solely as a piece of Roman Catholic legislation formulated by Roman Catholic priests for the Roman Catholic laymen."

He urged laymen to become articulate in explanation of the prohibition as based on the philosophy of the natural law and on the grounds of theology.

FATHER DAVIS said that Catholics "have a big selling job" to do to explain the reason why children attend parochial schools. He said this is also true in the case of lessening the "frightful iniquity" Catholic parents endure when "they must pay taxes for immense new public schools for booming suburban communities — then pay all over again to build St. Agatha's parochial school or Sacred Heart High School."

As for transportation for parochial school pupils, the Jesuit editor said that the U.S. Supreme Court, in the Everson case ten years ago, supported transportation by public school buses for private school pupils, but that this principle "is not being applied to remedy those local injustices" where the children are kept off the buses.

IN THEIR EFFORTS to curb indecent reading material and movies, Father Davis said, Catholics should enlist the aid of Protestants.

"If only, somehow, from the start we could have enlisted Protestant support on this issue — the achieving of our common civic purpose to protect public morality — we could have called upon the forces of the God-fearing Protestant community as well as our own," he stated.

He said that at present "Protestants seem to fail to perceive in such Catholic campaigns a civic effort to bolster the teetering pillars of public morality."

AS FOR CATHOLICS and the presidency, Father Davis said that "Protestant pulpits have been booming for some time and we can be sure will keep on booming into the same old theme: 'A Roman Catholic cannot be president of the United States.'"

"The vile insinuation that loyalty of a presidential candidate to his faith must inevitably subvert his fidelity to the United States Constitution must be rejected at every turn — and those who have any part in perpetuating this insinuation should be told they are guilty of a vicious libel on their fellow-Americans of the Catholic faith," he said.

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Foreign Students

Jose Of Spain, Marie Of France Study Here

Your house can be a home for Catholic high school students from Europe or Latin-America.

Appeals have gone out from sponsoring agencies which seek to place students from abroad in American homes for one year. All expenses will be paid by the agencies.

TYPICAL OF the carefully selected guests are two teenagers now in Rochester, Jose Padilla from Madrid, Spain, and Marie Godet from Tours, France.

Both Jose and Marie are in Rochester through arrangements made by the Association of Teenage Diplomats (ATAD). Also sponsoring the international program is the Rochester Diocesan Council of Catholic Women under direction of the Rev. E. Leo Mannan of St. Bernard's Seminary.

Brighton High School's star soccer player Jose Padilla of Madrid, Spain, finds Friday absence difficult to get used to. "In Spain, we have permission to eat meat on Fridays, except during Lent," he explained.

Jose is in Rochester until June as guest of the Robert Sheridan family, 450 Clover Hills Drive, in Our Lady of Lourdes parish, Brighton.

THE YOUNG DIPLOMAT attended the Jesuit staffed Immaculate Conception private elementary and high school near his home in Spain's capital city.

He has deep respect for Spain's dictator General Franco. "He brought peace and prosperity to our country," said Jose.

France is generally popular, although there are other political



JOSE PADILLA, Madrid, Spain 'Inside Mass'

food and clothing for needy children as part of the Action Catholic (Catholic Action) program in Madrid.

He said a Spanish school day begins at 8:30 a.m. with Mass and Communion and ends at 7 p.m. with Rosary. A two hour siesta in mid-afternoon is "an old Spanish custom," he explained.

Asked about religious freedom in Spain, Jose answered, "You can go as you want. There is a Protestant church just two or three minutes from my home, but in Spain, just about everybody is Catholic," he said.

Along with other American souvenirs, Jose will take back to Madrid newspaper clippings of his last autumn's high scoring record as Brighton High School's star soccer player. Jose definitely prefers soccer to bullfighting.

This spring he hopes to make the school tennis and track teams. He has seen only one baseball game — when the Rochester Red Wings beat Toronto and wants to learn the game before going back home this summer.

MARIE GODET, typically petite as French girls traditionally

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'In God We Trust' Going On \$1 Bills

Washington — (NC) — The motto, "In God We Trust," will appear on the backs of new \$1 bills issued later this year, according to Henry J. Holtzman, director of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing.

Inclusion of the phrase on paper money is authorized in a law passed last year by Congress.

When You Smell Smoke

'Call Firemen, Don't Wait To See Flames!'

Washington — (NC) — Delay in calling the fire department is the greatest single cause of large loss fires, Francis L. Brannigan, a safety engineer with the Atomic Energy Commission, warns.

"Fire often travels through concealed spaces and can be out of control when the flames break out," Mr. Brannigan points out. "When smoke is smelled call the fire department immediately. If you don't believe us — call your fire chief and ask him."

MR. BRANNIGAN gives this advice in "The Burning Question," a monthly memorandum which he writes and which the National Catholic Welfare Conference distributes to diocesan officials of the country.

"Don't think though that just because flames are seen that the fire department will necessarily be called immediately," Mr. Brannigan urges.

"Many disastrous church fires gained headway because the discoverer ran to the rectory to tell the pastor. In some cases he (the pastor) ran to the church assuming the alarm had been turned in, adding to the delay.

"Your fire department can work miracles if you give them 'the first five minutes.'"

The memorandum lists fires in six Catholic churches, a university and a hospital reported since its previous issue. It suggests that signs, perhaps done by parish school art classes, be placed in the sacristy, vestibule, rectory, school, convent and parish hall, urging that "in case of fire or smoke call the fire department immediately."

The rectory should be notified after the alarm had been given. The signs should give the location of the nearest fire alarm box and telephone.



MARIE GODET, Tours, France 'Set the pace'

parties besides the powerful Falange party, Jose stated.

Catholic devotional life in Spain is just about the same as in America "except in Spain we are much more 'inside the Mass'" he said. America's silent congregations at Mass at first puzzled him. He thinks his native Spanish language, so close to the Church's Latin, makes it easier for people there to follow the Mass prayers.

Jose has also visited England and France.

"The Jesuits who teach us like us to travel if we can. They thought it was a wonderful opportunity for me to come to America," he said.

He is here in American under the American Field Service program cooperating with the United States State Department.

Jose will return to Madrid to complete his college study at the Catholic Institute of Arts and Industry, also operated by the Jesuit Fathers in Madrid. He hopes to become an industrial engineer.

Jose spent his Spanish Sunday afternoons teaching catechism to public school pupils, providing

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