

Holy Name Elects, Plans Parish Family Picnic

Officers were elected and plans for the parish family picnic were made at the June meeting of the Holy Name Society of St. Peter and Paul Church, Elmira.

Mathias Fennell was elected president for the 1957-58 term. Also named are: Jerome Van Ben Coten, vice president; Francis Conklin, secretary and Valentine Ipril.

The officers plan to meet during the summer to revise the constitution and to plan the year's program with these members of the executive committee: William Bennett, Howard Duffy, John Maslinski, Emildo Paganelli and Bernard Hartnett.

THE PARISH family picnic was planned for Sunday, June 30 at 3 p.m. at Sullivan's Monument. Co-chairmen are Mathias Fennell and Jerome Van Ben Coten assisted by Francis Conklin and Valentine Ipril.

Working on the committees are the following members: Robert Bacon, Anthony Brock, Vincent Cline, Henry Ewanyk, John Foy, William Galpin, Bernard Hartnett, John Keeley, John Layton, Floyd C. Nodine, William O'Brien, Peter Paolorek, Carl Webb and Joseph Woodhouse.

Father Hubert A. Bisky, pastor, congratulated the men on their work in the financial need appeal and encouraged them in coming events, especially the picnic.

Nocturnal Adoration Society Schedule

Members of the Nocturnal Adoration Society will meet in St. Peter and Paul Church, Elmira this Saturday night, June 22, according to schedule:

High School Boys, 10:11; St. Charles, St. John, St. Mary (Horseheads) 11:12.

St. Peter and Paul, 12:1; St. Mary (Elmira), 12; St. Patrick, 23; Our Lady of Lourdes, 34; St. Anthony, 45; St. Casimir, 56; St. Cecilia, 67.

Those who cannot attend are urged to contact their parish captain. Those who have not received the official nocturnal badge may obtain one from their parish captain. Last month, 215 members made their Holy Hours before the Blessed Sacrament exposed in St. Peter and Paul Church. New members are always welcome. They may call their parish rectory for details.

Livingston Women Urged To Form DCCW Council

Avon — Representatives of parish women's organization in Livingston County area heard the Rev. E. Leo McLannus, Diocesan Council of Catholic Women moderator, stress the unity and strength of 9,000,000 Catholic women in the National Council at an area meeting in St. Agnes Hall, Avon, Sunday afternoon, June 16.

Women at the meeting were encouraged to form their own Livingston Diocesan Council after affiliating through their Catholic organizations with the Diocesan Council.

Mrs. Donald Schuyler, president of St. Agnes Rosary Society, was in charge of arrangements for the Diocesan Council meeting.

FATHER McLANNUS spoke of the power for good which radiates from the national organization and of its programming for Catholic Action. He explained the fields in which it operates such as religious education, family and parent education, home and school associations, youth immigration, inter-American and international relations, social action and human relations, and relief at home and abroad.

Mrs. John T. McKiernan, diocesan chairman of International Relations, and Mrs. Charles Haight, diocesan chairman of Organization and Development, attended and Mrs. Theodore Strommeyer, diocesan president, presided.

The meeting was held at the invitation of the Monsignor John M. Ball, V.F., Dean of Livingston County, and the Rev. Charles E. Muckle, pastor of St. Agnes Church, Avon.

Knights of St. John List Field Mass At Cemetery

Annual Field Mass in memory of deceased members of the Knights of St. John and Ladies Auxiliaries will be held, Sunday, June 23 at 10 a.m. in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, according to Colonel Emil G. Eckert.

Monsignor Arthur F. Florack, pastor of St. Michael Church with which St. George Commandery and Auxiliary is affiliated will celebrate the Mass.

MEMBERS of both organizations in full dress uniform will march from Dewey Ave. gate of the cemetery to All Saints Chapel of Lake Ave. Taps will be sounded by members of O'Callahan Band. Ample seating arrangements are being made for convenience of the public. The knights announced.

Chairman Raymond J. Cronbach appointed Commandery 45 of St. Michael's in charge of altar arrangements; Lillian A. Bartie, floral decorations, and St. George's Auxiliary in command of Major Leona Scheg, choral hymns.

Grave decorations are in charge of Capt. John Steich, Commandery 9; Captain Frank Grass, Commandery 43; A.D.C. Charles H. Mura, Commandery 89; Captain Ben Morlan, Commandery 25; Captain Edward Lang, Commandery 28; Captain Joseph Gagner, Commandery 17; Captain Edward Winterkorn, Commandery 40; Captain Carl Guek, Commandery 272; Captain Charles H. Miller, Commandery 197; Captain Clarence West, Commandery 106, and Captain Joseph Cooper, Commandery 338.



FIRST TO BE ORDAINED in Hornell, three young priests of the area appear here after ceremonies in which His Excellency, Auxiliary Bishop Casey conferred Holy Orders in St. Ann Church, Hornell, Saturday June 15. In photo (from left) pastor of St. Ann's. (Evening Tribune photo, Hornell).

3 Priests Ordained In Hornell Rite

Hornell — (Special) — First Ordination ceremony ever held in Hornell saw three area youth raised to the priesthood here Saturday morning (June 15) in St. Ann's Church.

The Most Rev. Lawrence B. Casey, Auxiliary Bishop of Rochester, conferred the Sacrament of Holy Orders on the Rev. William J. Spelley of Hornell, the Rev. Michael L. Reagan of Rathbone and the Rev. Thomas H. Watts of Waverly. More than 1,000 of their relatives and friends crowded St. Ann's Church to witness the impressive one hour and a half ceremony.

The three newly ordained priests offered their first Solemn Masses Sunday morning (June 17) in their respective parish churches — as follows: Father Spelley at 11 a. m. in St. Ann's Church, Hornell; Father Reagan at 11:15 a. m. in St. Catherine's Church, Addition; and Father Watts at 11 a. m. in St. James Church, Waverly.

AT SATURDAY'S ordination rites approximately 60 monsignors, priests and religious from all sections of the Rochester Diocese, were present in the sanctuary of St. Ann's Church. The ceremonies began at 9 a.m. with the solemn procession to the church where Bishop Casey began the celebration of Mass at the altar decorated with white chrysanthemums, white peonies and flame gladioli.

During the chanting of the Litany of the Saints, the three young priests prostrated themselves upon the floor of the sanctuary in humble supplication for Divine assistance. The Litany was chanted by a 25-voice choir of seminarians of St. Bernard's under direction of the Rev. Charles J. McCarthy, music director of the Seminary, with Thomas Bur as organist. Responses were made by the clergy in the sanctuary.

Highlight of the ordination rite came when Bishop Casey imposed his hands upon the heads of the young deacons and imparted to them the power of the priesthood. Each of the clergy present followed the bishop's imposition of hands, then extended their right hands over the ordinands while the Bishop prayed that "God, the Father Almighty may multiply heavenly gifts upon these His servants whom he has chosen for the office of the priesthood."

In later ceremonies, after the young priests had received their priestly vestments, their hands were anointed with holy oil by Bishop Casey.

Then Father Spelley, Father Reagan and Father Watts offered Mass with the Bishop. This consecration of the Mass was common in the early church, but in modern times is reserved for occasions of great solemnity.

FOLLOWING THE Mass, Bishop Casey conferred the power to forgive sins upon the new priests when he again imposed hands upon them and said: "Receive the Holy Ghost; whose sins thou shalt forgive, they are forgiven thee; and whose sins thou shalt retain, they are retained."

AT THE CONCLUSION of the Mass and the ordination ceremonies, Bishop Casey spoke, commending the young priests and their parents, and families. He said, in part:

"Many souls will reach Heaven through the efforts of these three young men who today were ordained in a ceremony which has historical significance for Hornell."

In a plea for other young men and young women to follow the religious vocation, Bishop Casey addressed the parents present with the reminder that "the child you give to God is really the one you keep."

DURING THE singing of the Te Deum, the liturgical hymn of praise, Bishop Casey knelt to receive the first blessing from the newly ordained priests.

Assisting Bishop Casey at the ordination rite were the Rev. Mr. Magr. Wilfred T. Craugh, rector of St. Bernard's Seminary; the Very Rev. Magr. J. Emmett Murphy, professor at St. Bernard's and the Rev. Daniel Brent of Rochester; master of ceremonies.

Minor officials were students of St. Bernard's Seminary. Ordination ceremonies were broadcast over Station WWBC, Hornell, with the Rev. Dr. Joseph Eagan, professor at St. Bernard's as narrator. He was assisted by Donald J. Curran of Hornell.

