

### Monsignor Cowen Honored For 25 Years As Pastor

Albany—The Rev. Msgr. William E. Cowen, S.T.D., pastor of St. Mary's Church, was honored at a reception on Wednesday, June 25, to commemorate his silver jubilee as pastor. The celebration was high-spirited, with guests from church and community, and by the presence of many priests who have served as assistant pastors at St. Mary's.

Monsignor Cowen was appointed pastor of St. Mary's, Albany, by the late Bishop John Francis Conroy in June, 1932. Born in Albany, he was baptized, received his first Holy Communion and sang his first Mass in that church. In that church, too, he served as assistant pastor for nearly 30 years and the faculty of St. Mary's Seminary, as professor of Fundamental Dogmatic Theology, Dogmatic Theology, Liturgical and Ethics.

Monsignor Cowen thanked the people for their "intense loyalty" and for their kindness to him through the 25 years as pastor and 50 years as priest. He soon intended to publish the story of his 25 years as pastor and 50 years as priest, and to publish a book on his life and work, as well as the parishioners and his life.

Members of the clergy present were the Very Rev. Msgr. Leslie G. Whalen, the Very Rev. Msgr. James D. Coffey, the Reverend Fathers E. Leo McManus, John P. Norris, J. Joseph O'Connell, Charles G. Langworthy, James C. Lane, James Sharples, Richard T. Murphy, Robert L. Kress, Gerald J. Gull, Arthur J. Hack and Edwin B. Metzger.

On the reception committee representing the parish organizations, trustees and ushers were Mr. and Mrs. Martin Byrne, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. George J. Hickey, Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Armstrong, Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Carroll, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Fitzgerald.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Secaur, Mr. and Mrs. Avery Neagie, Mr. and Mrs. F. Mical Bernini, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Glatrone, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Connie Deloia, Mrs. Catherine Hutchings.

The Misses Catherine Falvey, Adelaide Driscoll, Catherine Burns, also T. Joseph Coffey, Gerald Shannon and James O'Toole, Charles Enlawry, Edward Emig and Frank J. Falley.

Joseph C. Kelly's Requiem Mass Sung  
Funeral services for Joseph C. Kelly were held Wednesday, June 26 at John J. McLaughlin Funeral Home followed by a Solemn Requiem Mass at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church.

Mr. Kelly of 150 Winton Road, 52, died in St. Mary's Hospital after a two-year illness, on June 22, 1957.

The Rev. Leo V. Smith was celebrant of the Mass assisted by the Rev. Leo J. Matuszewski, deacon, and the Rev. Joseph F. McCarthy, subdeacon.

Mr. Kelly was born in County Wick, Ireland. He managed A&P Stores at Monroe and Goodman, and Monroe Ave., in Brighton, for a total of 18 years. He was the proprietor of the Irish Village at Mill and Platt Sts. for 12 years. For the last five years he owned and operated Kelly's Restaurant at 925 Genesee St.

He was a member of the Hibernian Order, Division 2, and the Monroe County Restaurant and Hotel Association.

Bearers were Patrick Fahy, Thomas Ryan, Joseph Egan, William Burns, Dennis O'Reilly, and Thomas Ford.

He is survived by his wife, Mary; two sons, Pfc. Michael with the army in France, and John; three sisters, Mother Mary Conleth, Brigide Order, Sidney, Australia, and Mrs. James Laverty and Mrs. Margaret Kavanaugh of Ireland; four brothers, Thomas, Walter, Edmond, and Colbert of Ireland; and several nieces and nephews.

Blessing at the grave in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery was imparted by Father Matuszewski.

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Cochabamba, Bolivia (NC) The Maryknoll Fathers have opened a third modern, free dispensary for medical, surgical and dental care here.



SILVER JUBILEE of his appointment as pastor of St. Mary Church, Auburn, was observed at a reception honoring Monsignor William Edward Cowen, S.T.D. Here Monsignor Cowen, center, is being congratulated by parish leaders: (front left) T. Joseph Coffey, trustee; Edward Secaur, auditor; Edward Carroll, trustee and reception chairman, and Miss Catherine Falvey, Rosary and Scapular Society president.

### Wm. Woerners Mark 50 Years

Golden Wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Woerner of 127 Barry Road, Irondequoit was observed on Wednesday, June 26. The day's program began with assisting at a High Mass in St. Margaret Mary Church celebrated by Monsignor Maynard Connell, pastor.

Breakfast for the jubilarians and family numbering 41 was held at Brooklee Country Club immediately after the Mass.

That evening, an open house was held in honor of the couple at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Donald E. Woerner, their eldest son and his wife at 420 Rugby Ave.

The couple has six children and 14 grandchildren. Their youngest son, Robert and his family from Denver, Colo. attended.

Both the jubilarians are active in Catholic lay groups. Mr. Woerner is a former head of Rochester Fourth Degree Assembly and a former officer of Rochester Council, Knights of Columbus.

He also served as grand commander of Musa Caravan, Order of the Alhambra. His oldest son, Donald on Monday completed two terms as grand knight of the K. of C.

Mr. Woerner is president of the Rochester Novelty Works.

### Mrs. Bolger, Staff Seated In Catholic Daughter Rite

Geneva—Mrs. Margaret Bolger, grand regent and her staff of Court Annunciation, Catholic Daughters were installed in a ceremony in the Woman's Building.

Among area officials participating were: Mrs. Grace Partrick, district deputy, North Rose; Mrs. Rose Stanziana, grand regent; Court Gleason, Clyde and Mrs. Marietta O'Brien, vice regent.

Also installed were: Mrs. Loretta Lnehan, vice-regent; Mrs. Rose Alvaro, prophetess; Miss Edith Chachia, lecturer; Mrs. Nora Cochrane, financial secretary; Mrs. Catherine McCormack, treasurer; Mrs. Mildred Fisher, historian; Mrs. Alice Fennell, monitor; Miss Beatrice Buckley, sentinel; Mrs. Mary McCann, organist; Mrs. Mary Jennings and Mrs. Mary Felicit, trustees for three years, the Rev. Raymond Nolan, chaplain.

Miss Mary Gallagher, retiring monitor, served as assistant monitor during the ceremonies with Mrs. Partrick, district deputy, presiding.

The organization's May 10 bazaar sale was reported a success. Mrs. Margaret Sears was chairman.

A letter was read from Our Lady of Victory Home in Lackawanna thanking members for donation of a crib. Miss Mary Panelli, chairman of the Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Victory Basilica, reported.

St. Stephen Club Conducts Tournament  
Geneva—St. Stephen Club of St. Stephen's Church held their annual "monkey golf tournament" in Geneva Country Club.

Purpose of a monkey tournament is to play a round of golf with only one club, alternating every other shot with a team member.

Ninety-five members were present with 75 participating in the tournament.

Prizes were awarded for the lowest team net score, most strokes on holes, best shot out of a sandtrap, and best shot around a tree.

SPECIAL GUESTS attending the tournament were the Rev. Dr. Joseph L. Hogan of Rochester, a former principal of De Sales High School; the Rev. Joseph F. Hogan of Elmira, former assistant pastor at St. Stephen's; the Rev. Raymond G. Ring

### Philosopher Unit In Canada Picks Rochester Priest

Windsor, Ont.—The Rev. Robert G. Miller, C.S.B., professor of philosophy at Assumption University and a native of Rochester was elected chairman of a committee charged with forming the Canadian Philosophers Association.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William F. Miller of Birch St., Rochester.

Father Miller was elected to the post during the meeting of the first Canadian Congress of Philosophy, part of the Learned Societies of Canada convention at the University of Ottawa last week.

MORE THAN 100 professors of



REV. ROBERT G. MILLER

philosophy, representing every university and college in Canada, attended the meeting at which the decision was taken to set up the new association.

Working with Father Miller will be Prof. A. M. Duncan, Queen's University assistant chairman; Prof. W. I. Sibley, University of Manitoba; and Prof. D. L. Maridos, University of Alberta.

A separate French speaking section of the Canadian Philosophers Association will be set up by a committee whose chairman is Prof. P. N. Gratton of the University of Ottawa.

### Carmelite Dies In Florida

Funeral services for a Rochester-born Carmelite nun, Mother Superior Mary Rose Immaculate, 32, will be held today, Friday, at the Villa Maria Home for the Aged, North Miami, Fla.

Mother Mary Rose, who would have celebrated her 25th anniversary with the Carmelite order in December, was killed in a three-car smashup in Florida She was attached to the Villa Maria Home for the Aged.

She attended Holy Redeemer School here following graduation she joined the Carmelite motherhouse in New York City.

Surviving are her mother, Mrs. Lena Shellack of Rochester, three sisters, Mrs. Helen Anthony of Los Angeles, Calif., Mrs. Theresa Ferrara and Mrs. Betty Dworski of Rochester, and two nephews. Burial will be in Florida.

### Interviewing Parents-- Important Says Chaplain In Report At Reformatory

By MONSIGNOR FRANCIS J. LANE  
(The 1956-1957 report of the Catholic Chaplain at Elmira Reformatory, Monsignor Francis J. Lane explains the Catholic status of inmates and tells why his interviewing of parents of his charges is so important. Here is the report.)

During the year from April, 1956, to April, 1957, 249 Catholic men were admitted to the Elmira Reformatory as compared to 323 the previous year. However, we received 106 parole violators which was considerably greater than the year before. Only eleven or less than five percent of the new men claimed that they attended Church regularly and most of these were just accidental offenders.

THOSE WHO did not attend Church, rarely received the Sacraments some hadn't performed this duty in seven or eight years. This is readily understood when one considers that over 70 percent of those admitted were Puerto Ricans. Many of these are really not members of the Church, in spite of the fact that they are registered as such because they know practically nothing about religion and cannot even remember the last time they were in Church.

Of the 249 only 28 were first offenders which means that nearly 90 percent of the Catholic inmates were in trouble or had been arrested before they were finally sent to the Reformatory. In most cases violent welfare agencies have exhausted all their facilities in trying to help them, most of whom are probation failures.

In spite of the fine work done by the Domestic Relations Court in Greater New York, nearly 60 percent came from broken homes, i.e. homes where either the father or mother or both are deceased or the parents are separated. To help with this problem I interview as many parents as possible.

DURING THE past year I made four trips to New York City and interviewed the parents of about 300 inmates.

Every official and agency who is acquainted with this phase of our work, proclaims it one of the most important and we know that it is the most appreciated by all concerned but we cannot do a thorough job with these interviews because of lack of financial funds. We are only allowed \$100 for traveling and I spend this entire amount on this work although it is intended to cover conferences, meetings, etc.

We had more men convicted of drugs than any other single crime besides many robberies, burglaries and larcenies were



MONSIGNOR LANE

committed in order to obtain drugs. Most of these were Puerto Ricans who continue to present a big problem. Second on our list were Youthful Offenders and this may cover any crime less than murder.

Less than 20 percent ever attended a Catholic School and nearly half of these left before completing the sixth grade. We had only two men who attended a Catholic High School.

We have two Masses on Sunday and a Perpetual Novena in honor of St. Don Bosco each Friday evening. Attendance is voluntary and we have a fine turnout for all services. Our Annual Mission was conducted by Rev. Louis Dougherty of Abbotstown, Pa.

We average a little over 200 confessions each week among the Reformatory men and about 40 from the Reception Center.

DURING THE past year we received 22 converts into the Church and instructed 16 others for their First Holy Communion.

Three hundred and six Catholics were paroled during this period, 82 or about 92 percent returned to the practice of their religious duties while here.

With a daily average of 1410 inmates we had a daily average of 625 Catholic men. Sixty six percent of our inmates came from Greater New York and the others almost in proportion to the size of the cities.

The number from each Diocese are as follows: Buffalo, 26; Rochester, 11; Syracuse, 15; Ogdensburg, 3; Albany, 8; Brooklyn, 87; New York, 88; Out of State 11.

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**Communion Slated For Webster Society**  
Corporate Communion for members of St. Monica Sodality of Holy Trinity Church, Webster will take place, Sunday, July 7 according to parish publication.

Theresa Bauriedl was elected prefect of the newly elected officers of the League of the Sacred Heart and other officers are: Ruth Bonjorno, vice prefect; Elaine Sherman, secretary; Diane Meyer, treasurer and Richard Schwenger, marshal.

**LINCOLN ROCHESTER TRUST PROMOTES 3 OFFICERS**  
Three promotions by the Board of Directors of the bank were announced by John W. Remington, president of Lincoln Rochester Trust Company.

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Miss Mary L. Panetti, 41 Willard Ave., Geneva (Phone 5327) will be taking reservations from the Geneva area. The Geneva group will assemble in front of St. Francis de Sales Church, Exchange St., Geneva on Monday, Aug. 5 at 5:30 a.m. then join the Newark group in Newark in front of St. Michael Church, Main St., at 6 a.m.  
Individuals must bring birth certificate and naturalization papers. Reservations and bus fare must be submitted by July 22.

**Pilgrimage Slated To St. Anne Shrine**  
A few reservations for the Pilgrimage to St. Anne de Beaupre Shrine, Quebec to be conducted from July 24 to July 30 are available according to Miss M. Szegal, 975 Hudson Ave., conducting the trip.  
Two nights will be spent in Montreal at the Queens Hotel and in Quebec, the pilgrims will stay at the Chateau Frontenac Hotel.  
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