

\$100,000 Church Campaign Opened In Heights Parish

Dominican Nuns Ask Public To Rosary Novena

Annual Novena in honor of the Most Holy Rosary will begin Saturday evening Sept. 28 at 7:30 at the Dominican Monastery, 1310 W. Church Street, Elmira. This is a cloistered Order of Religious of St. Dominic, the only one in the diocese of Rochester.

Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament in the chapel continues from the morning Mass at 7:00 a.m. until Rosary devotion at 5 p.m. each day. The Rosary is said by the Sisters without interruption day and night; hence their name—"Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary."

Novena services will consist of: Morning Mass at 7:00; Evening devotions at 7:30; Rosary, hymn in honor of Our Blessed Mother, short instruction on the Rosary, litany of the Loretto, and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

Veneration of a different Keltic each evening after services. Solemn closing Sunday Oct. 6 at 3:00 p.m. The Rev. Thomas Manley will deliver the sermon.

The public is invited to all services.

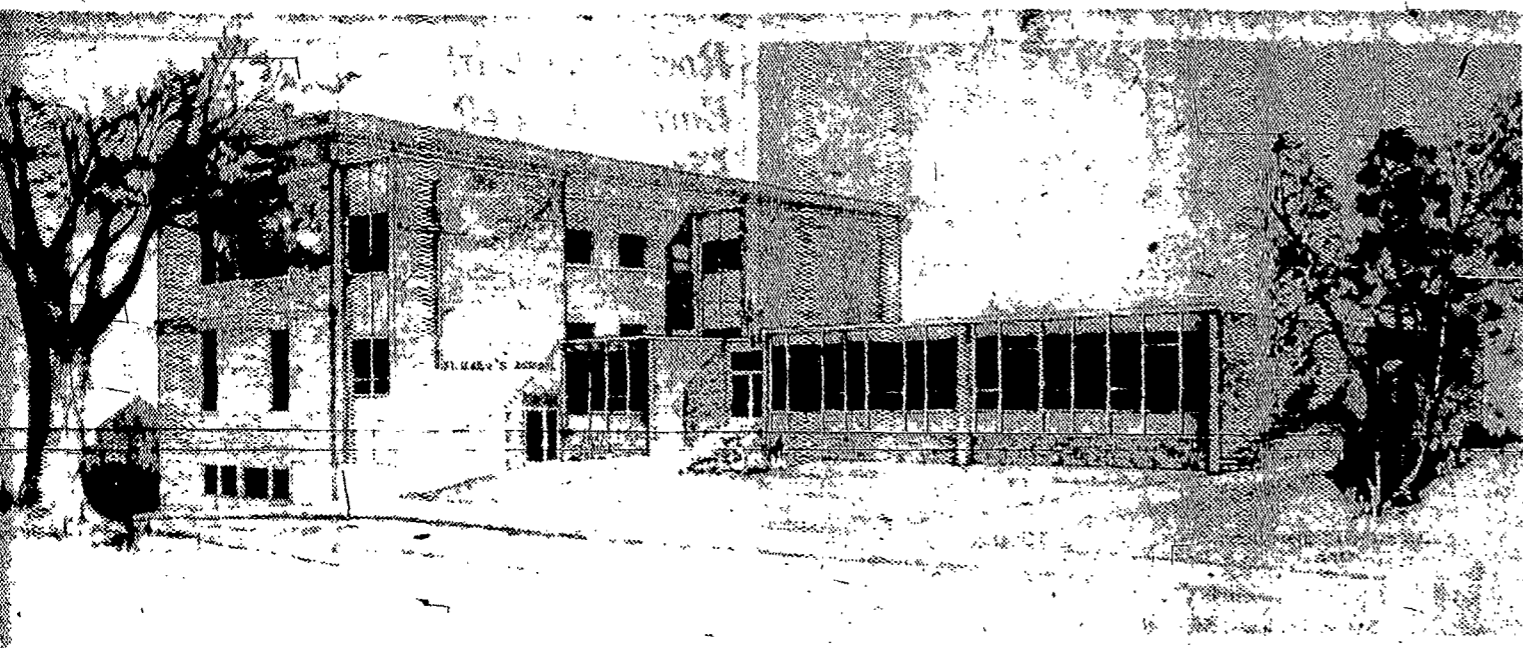
40 Hour Rites Set At Lourdes

Forty Hours devotion will open in Our Lady of Lourdes Church on Sunday at the 11 o'clock Mass. Services will be held on Sunday and Monday evenings at 7:45 and on Tuesday evening at 7:30. A Solemn High Mass will mark the event closing of the devotion to Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

The Rev. Emmet Davis, former assistant pastor, now Pastor at Roxville will preach at the service on Sunday and Monday evenings. Morning Masses will be celebrated on Monday at 6:30, 7 and 7:30 and on Tuesday at 7, 7:30 and the closing Mass at 7:30 p.m. Confessions will be heard after the evening services and at 4 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday.

Mother Cabrini Unit To Sell Rummage

Members of the Mother Cabrini committee of the Elmira Ladies of Charity are sponsoring a rummage sale to be held today (Friday) and tomorrow at 200 E. Water St. The sale today will be from 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. and tomorrow hours will be from 9 to 3. Mrs. Vincent Sano is chairman and Mrs. Stanley Klinzak co-chairman. They will be assisted by officers of the group.



ARCHITECTS SKETCH of proposed school building for St. Mary Parish, Corning shows modern design of exterior. Interior will be up-to-date and will provide eight classrooms. Campaign

for funds is scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 29. Plans were drawn by Considine and Haskell, architects.

Corning Parish Volunteers Await Kick-off In New School Campaign

Corning The current \$200,000 fund raising campaign got off to a flying start in St. Mary's parish last weekend with the announcement that special gifts

donors in the Baron Steuben The money now being raised will be used for construction of a new eight room parochial grammar school for St. Mary's parish.

THE KICKOFF DINNER for the general drive will be held Saturday evening at the State Armory when His Excellency Auxiliary Bishop Lawrence B. Casey will speak. A solicitation of the entire parish will be made on the following day between 1:30 and 3:30. About 320 canvassers will conduct the solicitation.

At last Saturday's dinner, held at the Baron Steuben, speakers were J. Norman Reilly, special gifts chairman, the Rev. Thomas F. Brennan, pastor; Joseph P. Turney, general chairman; and Joseph Conerton of Rochester, representative of Foley Associates who are handling the drive management.

Chairman Reilly told the group that it is important to realize how much effort and sacrifice it will require to make a success of the project.

Father Brennan thanked the workers and donors, stated that the special gifts solicitation represents the official start of the drive, and discussed the importance of the work to be done.

Mr. Turney told the special gifts committee members that the general committee depends heavily on them.

IN SPECIAL introductory remarks of a brochure to be distributed to all parish homes Sunday afternoon. His Excellency Bishop Kearney writes: "My Dear People: I take this time to ask your unselfish support of the parish appeal for funds to fulfill your pastor's plans for the construction of a new school building."

"As you and your pastor, Father Brennan, shoulder this truly formidable task, I am confident that the Blessed Virgin, to whom your church is dedicated, will inspire you to make this endeavor a memorable and outstanding achievement."

"I am certain that all of you are aware of the need of this new school building and are anxious to help Father Brennan realize fruition of this plan. Most certainly your generous contribution will be very much needed and gain recognition in the eyes of Almighty God. With a prayer for your success and with a blessing, I am your devoted Shepherd in Christ."

IN A MESSAGE as pastor, the Rev. Thomas F. Brennan is quoted: "We have now come upon a most historic point in the growth of St. Mary's Parish, for we are about to undertake the task of providing complete school facilities for our children and the children of future generations. This task that we now shoulder is truly formidable, but by no means insurmountable."

St. Mary's Parochial school is one of the oldest in Rochester Diocese, dating back to the fall of 1855 when classes were first conducted in one room in the church basement. The campaign literature to be distributed this weekend explains:

"The Right Reverend John Timon, first bishop of Buffalo, officially organized St. Mary's parish in 1848 and Saint Mary's School was functioning in the fall of 1855, the year it was probably opened. Mrs. Ellen Gault was the first teacher, conducting her classes in one room in the basement of the church."

"The enrollment of the parochial school was relatively small at first; but it increased so much during the next few years that by 1860, the pastor saw that a new building was needed and secured the corner lot just across from the wooden church on First Street. The parish undertook a large Fair and Festival to finance the cost of building the school, which was no small success for such ventures in those times, for they raised \$1,000, enough to pay for the whole building. Two lay teachers were in charge when the new school opened the following fall."

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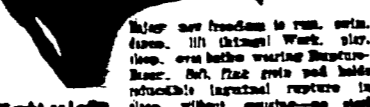
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A goal of \$100,000 has been set for the campaign of St. Charles Borromeo Church, Elmira Heights according to the Rev. Joseph G. Merkel, pastor and honorary campaign chairman. The campaign for a new church is now in progress, and will continue until Oct. 18. Actual solicitation day is scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 13, from 1:30 to 3:30 in the afternoon.

Future parish plans, according to the pastor, include the erection of a modified Romanesque red brick structure with stone trim and a shingled tile roof. The contemplated church will have a seating capacity of approximately 500. Parking facilities for 38 cars will connect on

the north side of the Oakwood Avenue building.

Pledges to the building fund may be paid over a period of 15 weeks, covering four tax years, through a system of special envelopes on a weekly, monthly, or quarterly basis. Each wage earner in the parish will be asked to give one day's pay each month over the 36 month period.

Father Merkel announced selection of 31 men who have volunteered as captains. They are: Harry Arnold, William Bahantka, Joseph Baldwin, Kerry Banister, Sr., George Barbary, Francis J. Beck, Edward Burso, Joseph Bidnar, William Burnell, Arthur Caporal, Edgar Cavanagh, Frank Clet, Deibel Clark, Francis Crowley, William Crowley, A. B. Cunningham.

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Organizational Meetings Conducted By Ithaca CDA

Ithaca — Members of the Board of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine this week concluded a series of three organizational meetings held during the month of September. Purpose of the meetings was to acquaint officers and chairmen of the six divisions of the Confraternity with their duties for the coming year.

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Byrne, pastor of Immaculate Conception Church, is Priest Director of the Confraternity in Ithaca. It is through his promotional interest, the untiring efforts of the Mission Helpers of the Sacred Heart, and the cooperation of interested lay persons that in a short space of time, the Confraternity in Ithaca is taking its place as one of the most important organizations of the parish.

Newly elected officers are Mrs. Edward Smith, president; Rocco Church, vice-president; Jane Reed, secretary; Joseph Farley, treasurer.

Chairmen of the six divisions are as follows: Teachers - Mrs. Ray Bedell; Fishers - Clinton Strimson; Helpers - Sue Barra; Discussion Clubs - Robert Hedges; Parent-Educators - Mrs. June Ahmann; Apostles of Good Will - Mrs. Josephine Mellberg.

Confirmation Rites Slated

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be conferred on two groups of children by Auxiliary Bishop Lawrence B. Casey on Sunday, Oct. 13.

The children from St. Casimir's Parish, Elmira, will be confirmed after the 8:45 Mass and the children from St. Patrick parish, Elmira, will receive the Sacrament at 1:30 p.m. in the church.

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