'We Have An Altar . . .'

The beautification of churches "is a great act of faith," says Bishop of Rochester who has found much happiness" in the erection of many new altars and tabernacles

By MONSIGNOR PATRICK J. FLYNN

"We have an altar
—St. Paul

THE APOSTLE in the very Church, glo... of the Christian... the altar spells... the fact of the... Sacrifice of the...

For St. Paul, ... Calvary where... Christ on the cro... as unbloody ma... he told the Corin... eat this bread and... proclaim the de... he comes."

Therefore, St. ... boasting: We ...

This boast of ... century is the ... every century ... Bishop of Roches... pride in the Chr... St. Paul and the ... nineteen centuries ...

During ... Shepherd of the D... Bishop Kearney ... sound safe doctri... quest of new alt... for the Eucharist... New altars and tabernacles ... projects which bring ... press in the ...

New altars for ... the Sacrifice of ... New Tabernacle ... Oriental Pr... with Bishop Kearney ... Catholic ... God. This is now ... tivity to details of ... priety worthy of ... among the ...

During ... years ... Diocese, Bishop Kearney ... establishing altars ... places where Holy Mass is ... offered before and ... Sacrament is present. ... where a church ... under construction ... personal interest ... the sanctuary and ... suggestions about ... tabernacle.

The Bishop's zeal ... regard has not been limited to ... establishment of new churches ... chapels, but has extended itself ... task of enhancing the beauty ... already established.

PARISH PRIESTS ... familiar with the way his keen eyes inspect every sanctuary ... knees on his many travels through the Diocese. As often as not the appearance of a new altar, a new tabernacle, new candlesticks, or new lights — all aimed at increasing the beauty of God's House — are the result of a tactful suggestion from the Bishop.

His interest and ... are reflected in the beautiful new chapels of St. Andrew's Seminary and of the Sisters of Mercy Motherhouse, and also in the stately St. Bernard's Seminary Chapel where he had installed a magnificent marble ...

Even the smallest chapels — which are hallowed by the same Divine Sacrifice and the same Divine Presence as the large churches — consume the Bishop's interest and attention. Thus he has interested himself in improving the beauty and facilities of such popular devotional centers as the Columbus Civic Center Chapel, the Cenacle Retreat House Chapel, and the St. Jude Chapel at Camp Stella Maris.

As he recalls his twenty year career in the Diocese, Bishop Kearney can point to a long list of new tabernacles for Christ which he has helped raise and beautify among his people. This impressive array of sanctuaries which

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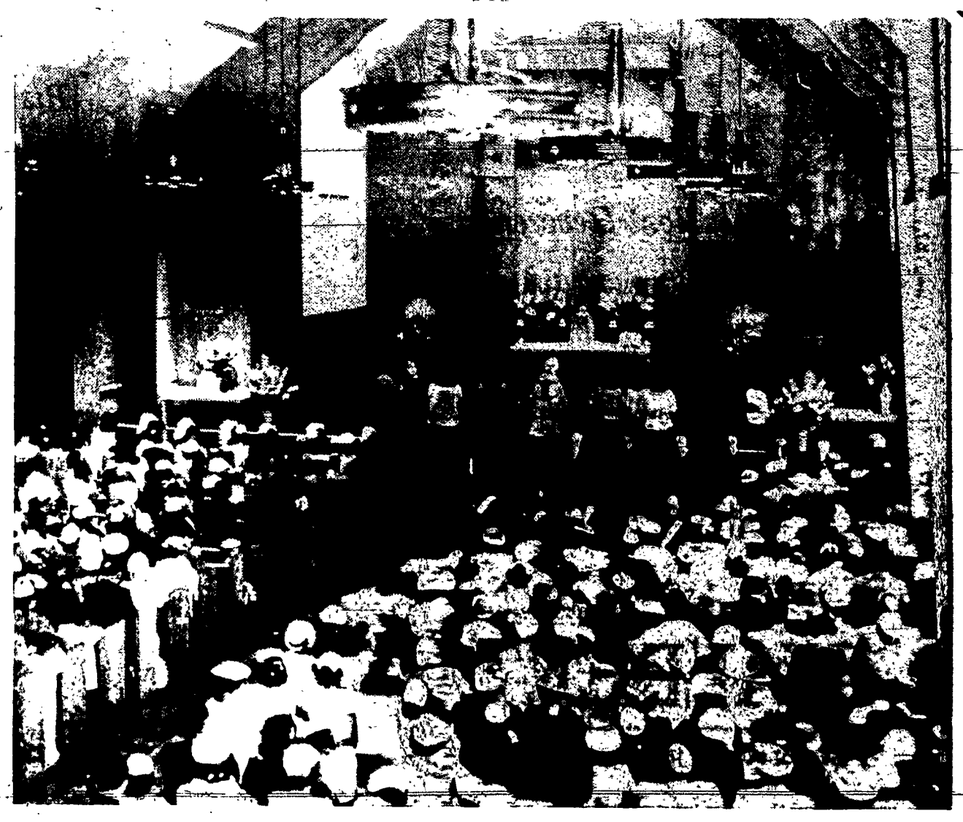

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