

Bishop Kearney Says . . .

"The only kind of brainwashing that goes on in our schools is the teaching of a preference for the principles of Mount Sinai rather than the products of Hollywood and the rejection of the cheap thought of many wax-mustached writers of the present day." Bishop Kearney at commencement exercises for St. John Fisher College, 1937.

"We have faith in the American tradition that community welfare is a community trust. We have faith in the program of private charity as maintained by our Community Chest." Bishop Kearney at Elmira Community Chest Campaign, October 1931.

"The founding and development of the program of our diocesan seminaries is the finest chapter in the history of our Diocese. I trust that Rochester and your generosity has made that chapter possible. Your own generosity and the generosity of your parents and forebears through the years." Bishop Kearney's annual seminary appeal, 1957.

"A generation is growing up without a sense of reverence. The current thought that no one is better than anyone else has resulted in an age that has little use for reverence and almost no respect for anybody or any thing." Bishop Kearney to diocesan teachers, 1958.

"Every activity of a nation, whether it be faith or hope or charity, whether it be civic, community, educational, or social welfare, must take its power and inspiration from the real presence of Jesus Christ in our midst." Bishop Kearney in sermon at St. Mary's of the Lake (eastern Mass., Watkins Glen, May, 1951).

"The dignity of the family, the rights of parents, the respect of children for their parents, and the constant vigilance of parents are the foundations of home life, without which no country can prosper or be great. Let us avail ourselves of the feast dedicated to the Holy Family of Nazareth to sanctify our own homes and our own family by observing the beautiful ceremony of the Family Communion." Bishop Kearney's annual appeal for Family Communion Sunday, 1960.

"The Catholic pulpit will never be a bigoted or intolerant pulpit. It will be dedicated, as the Church of Christ must be, to the hope of the union of all Christians who profess faith in His divinity, but that union can never be bought at the price of truth." Bishop Kearney at dedication of St. Francis Xavier Church, New York City, 1931.

"The supreme significance of a religious vocation is this: that it is an invitation and an opportunity to carry out more fully the words of our Divine Lord, 'Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with thy whole heart, with thy whole soul, and with all thy strength. This is the first and greatest commandment.' It is God who wants Sisters and I think in this age in which we live we should accentuate more the beauty of association with Jesus Christ in the intimacy of a convent or institution rather than the needs of the times." Bishop Kearney at reception rites for the Sisters of St. Joseph, 1957.

"The prayers which you offer in the silence of the night before the Blessed Sacrament may seem insignificant things in your lives, but they are great prayers of atonement. They bring the blessing of God upon yourself, upon your family, upon your parish, and upon this diocese, and thank God the whole community." Bishop Kearney to men of the Nocturnal Adoration Society, 1937.

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