

Work On New School Planned For Corning Parish In June



Plan Day Of Recollection

SPONSORED by St. Anthony Holy Name Society Elmira, a day of recollection will be conducted by Very Rev. Geron Lindsay, O.F.M. Cap., superior of St. Fidelis Priory, Interlaken, Sunday, Feb. 11. The day will begin at 7:30 a.m. with Mass, breakfast will follow in annex. Services in church will begin at 2 p.m. with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 4:30 p.m. Planning committee: (from left) Daniel A. Fazio, president; Thomas L. May, secretary; Daniel Laist, co-chairman.

Religious Movies Listed At St. Peter, Paul Gym

Two religious movies, with sound and color, will be presented in St. Peter and Paul's Gymnasium, Elmira, Sunday night at 7:30 P.M. "I Beheld His Glory" is the most recent and outstanding production of the Passion and the Resurrection of Jesus. "Our Lady of Fatima" is the beautiful story of the three little children of Fatima showing the great love of Our Lady for men.

THE SHOWING of these films is a project of the Sodality of Our Lady for the purpose of sending delegates to the Summer School of Catholic Action at Fordham University this August. The project is under the co-chair-

Corning — Pending final approval by the diocesan building commission, plans now call for construction of the new 8-room St. Mary's parochial school to begin after school closes in June, according to the Rev. Thomas F. Brennan, pastor of St. Mary's parish.

Father Brennan announced that the final figure in the parish fund-raising campaign is listed at \$307,000.

When the drive was held last September, \$200,000 was set as the minimum goal. Since the new school is expected to cost at least \$400,000, the money represented by the over-subscription will make it possible to do the job with a less extensive use of credit. Father Brennan pointed out. Collections are coming in well, he reported.

THE PROJECT will be carried out in two parts, it was explained in order not to deprive the pupils of classrooms during the construction. After the new section has been completed and opened, the second part of the project, consisting of the razing of the oldest portion of the school and its replacement with a modern wing, will be undertaken.

Since the plans for the new school were announced last Fall, it was decided to locate the kindergarten at the rear, facing north, Father Brennan said. The kindergarten will have its own play yard and entrance. There have also been a number of refinements in the plans. Architect for the project is the firm of Considine & Haskell of Elmira.

It is expected that the first part of the new school to be completed will be opened in January, 1959, the pastor said. No target date was set at present for the opening of the final section.

THE NEW SCHOOL will provide quarters for 120 additional pupils. The present enrollment is 350, with 11 classrooms now in use. Plans also call for the renovation of the gymnasium wing of the present school. The new classrooms will be constructed in the site of the present south wing. Room height is to be nine to 10 feet, in contrast to the high ceilings of the old building. The new wing will include a storage room and an entrance.

A RIFECEN is to be constructed in the gymnasium wing, the remodeling of which will also provide an all-purpose room which can be used as an auditorium. A health room also will be included. The exterior of the new building will be of brick.

St. Mary's School was opened in the Fall of 1855, with one room in the church basement being used. The parish had been organized in 1848. In 1860 the corner lot across from the church was acquired, and a new building was constructed and opened in the following Fall.

In August, 1882, Bishop Steven Vincent Ryan laid the cornerstone of a new building, which now constitutes the older portion of the school, which will be razed. It is on the corner of West First and State Streets. The present gymnasium wing was constructed in 1910 as an addition and was opened in January, 1911.

The present faculty is composed of nine Sisters of Mercy and two lay teachers. Principal is Sister Mary Rita, who succeeded Sister Mary Adolphine last Fall. The latter had served as principal since 1954.

Wanda Circle Lists Valentine Party

Wanda Circle Ladies of St. Casimir parish, Elmira will hold a Valentine party on Thursday evening Feb. 13 at 6 o'clock in the school hall.

All members having birthdays in February and March will be honored at this affair.

Mrs. Helen Ciolek is chairman and will be assisted by Mesdames Tolka, Budas, Alice Jurusik, Martha Dombrowski, Katherine Dziewiecki, Ida Przygoza, Helen Goski, Anna Wieszolowski, Ruth Klernan, Victoria Knott, Ida Wiertelki and Lucy Gryzka.

PLANNING FORUM for high schoolers in Ithaca are: seated, (from left) Sister M. Florence, M.H.S.H., Judy Brown, Mary Lynch, Rev. Edward Zimmer; standing, David Gilbert, and Michael McCarthy. (Amelia Longo photo).



Cornell Chaplain Listed By HNS For Glen Dinner

Watkins Glen — Monsignor Donald E. Cleary, Catholic Chaplain of Cornell University and Moderator of the Newman Club, will speak at the Annual Banquet of the Holy Name Society of St. Mary's of the Lake Church, Watkins Glen.

For a number of years, Monsignor Cleary was the Catholic Chaplain of Auburn State Prison. His topic will be "Leadership on the Part of Catholic Laymen". The affair will be at the Jefferson Hotel on Tuesday, Feb. 11, and will start at 6:30 p.m. It is the hope of the officers of the Society that all Holy Name Men will attend this dinner and bring either a male member of his family or a friend. All are welcome. The price will be \$2.25.

Dr. Thomas J. Love is chairman of the banquet. Michael Donnell is in charge of tickets. Attorney John Callahan, president will be toastmaster.

Marie Vorbeck Earns Master Of Science

A master of science degree was conferred on Marie L. Vorbeck, a member of St. Paul's X Parish, Van Etten by President Eric A. Walker at the mid-year commencement of Pennsylvania State University.

Miss Vorbeck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Vorbeck, four former Rochester residents and Holy Family parish members, attended Holy Family School.

While at Penn State, Miss Vorbeck majored in bacteriology and was elected to Phi Sigma and Sigma Iota Pi, national honorary scholastic societies. She received her undergraduate degree from Cornell University and has been appointed to a research fellowship at Cornell where she will continue her studies for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy.

4th Degree Knights List Franciscan Friar's Talk

Rev. Ralph A. Thomas, S.A., of St. John's Atoneament Seminary at Montour Falls will be guest speaker at the Lincoln Day invitation dinner to be held by Elmira Assembly Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus.

The affair will be held in Columbus Center on Wednesday evening Feb. 12 at 6:30. Members and their ladies will be the guests of the Assembly.

ADDED committees as announced by Faithful Navigator Francis T. Woods, are, reception, Edward C. J. Marks, Louis J. J. Aufersweiler, Joseph F. Whalen, Philip J. Sullivan, Dr. James A. Mark, Charles J. Kromer; arrangements, Richard J. Fernan, Samuel A. DeRenzo, and Henry P. Farrell.

Forty Hours

Friday, Feb. 7 — St. James Mercy Hospital, Hornell; St. John's Atoneament Seminary, Montour Falls.

Sunday, Feb. 9 — St. Bernard's Seminary, Rochester.

Area High Students Plan To Attend Religion Forum

Ithaca — Sunday afternoon, Feb. 9, in Parish Hall at 113 North Geneva Street Ithaca a High School Forum will be conducted under the auspices of the Religious Education Classes of Immaculate Conception Church in Ithaca.

Rev. Edward Zimmer, assistant pastor at Immaculate Conception Church, will be Chairman of the Forum which will begin at 2 p.m.

THE PROGRAM will consist of four speakers. Mary Lynch, M.H.S.H., Kim Perry, Ivyden and Lowellville are welcome to attend. An invitation is extended also to any non-Catholic students who are interested. Parents and interested adults are encouraged to attend the Forum.

The program will close with the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Catholic Press Lists Student Essay Contest

A nation-wide Catholic Press essay contest was launched this week with students in all diocesan high schools invited to take part.

The contest is part of the observance of February as Catholic Press Month.

Cash prizes will be awarded authors of the two best essays submitted from Rochester Diocese high schools.

The two winning essays will be awarded a \$5 first prize and \$3 second prize.

They will then be submitted in competition for three national prizes of \$200, \$100 and \$50.

Retreat Conference Gets New Quarters

Covington, Ky. — (NC) — Maryland Retreat House, located in nearby Erlanger, will serve as the new headquarters of the National Catholic Layman's Retreat Conference.

Father Thomas Middendorf, director of the Men of Maryland Retreat League and newly elected secretary of the national organization, has gone to Cedar Rapids Iowa, to arrange for the transfer of files, office supplies and mailing lists to the new national office here.

Parish, High School Set Feast Rites

Three days of special devotions at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Elmira, will mark observance of the parish feast day Tuesday, Feb. 11.

Services, each evening Sunday, Monday and Tuesday at 7:15 p.m. will conclude with blessing with Lourdes water and veneration of a relic of St. Bernadette.

High Mass Tuesday evening at 7:15 p.m. will conclude the triduum which this year marks the 100th anniversary of Our Lady's apparitions to the peasant girl now St. Bernadette in the southern French village of Lourdes.

Father Francis J. Ledy, C.M. will preach at the triduum rites.

Father Leo G. Schwab, pastor, said Masses on Monday will be at 7:00, 7:30 and 11:15 p.m. On Tuesday, Masses will be at 7 and 11:15 a.m. and 7:15 p.m. The 11:15 Mass is scheduled for the children of the parochial school, the pastor said.

St. Anthony Life Written For Children Mass At Notre Dame To Be Said Tuesday

New York — (NC) — The story of Saint Anthony of Padua and his devotion to the Christ Child is presented for young readers in a new book, one of a series of biographies for Catholic youngsters.

Written by Helen Walker Holman of New York, author of a number of books, and former editor and teacher, "St. Anthony and the Christ Child" is illustrated with line drawings by Don Lynch.

The 187 page book is published by Farrar, Straus and Cudahy.

Note Dame's Sodality is dedicated to our Lady of Lourdes and St. Joseph.

Affiliation with the sodality headquarters in Rome entitles sodalists to receive special indulgences granted those who observe the sodality rules.

Serving Tuesday's Mass will be Joseph Rudy, Lewis Brown, John Woods and Dennis O'Heron.

Bavarian Catholics Aid Swedish Schools

Munich, Germany — (RNS) — Collections at Catholic churches in Bavaria for the support of Catholic schools in Sweden netted around \$13,000. It was announced here.

The fund drive was organized by the Bavarian bishops in tribute to German-born Bishop Johannes E. E. Mueller of Stockholm who resigned recently at the age of 80.

Evening Mass At 4 Churches

First Friday (today) evening Masses have been scheduled for four Elmira churches. They are:

St. Patrick's, 5:30 p.m.
St. John The Baptist, 5:15 p.m.

Our Lady of Lourdes, 5:30 p.m.
St. Charles Borromeo, 5:15 p.m.

Holy Communion will be distributed at these Masses. The usual fasting regulations are effective.

Spanish Poet Ordained Priest

Madrid — (RNS) — One of Spain's most distinguished poets was ordained a priest in the Order of Discalced Carmelites here.

He is Julio Maruri, now known as Father Casto del Nino Jesus. The newly-ordained priest was recently awarded the Spanish National Poetry Prize. He also is well known as a painter and has held many exhibitions of his work.

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