

# Daily Mass League Opens Campaign For Members

## DAILY MASS LEAGUE (Application)

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Enroll me as a member of The Daily Mass League.

It is understood there are no dues, meetings, officers or promises involved and that the membership requirement is a genuine desire to attend Mass daily and to urge others to do so. (Fill out, clip and mail this application to: The Daily Mass League Center, Rev. Edward P. Callens, S.S.C.C., Spiritual Director, 10 Pleasant St., Rochester 4, N. Y.)

By ARTHUR FARRIN  
Widespread efforts to promote greater interest in and attendance at weekday Mass is the aim of a Crusade undertaken this week by the Daily Mass League with the approval of His Excellency Bishop Kearney.

The Crusade comes at a time when there will be more frequent attendance at the Holy Sacrifice during Lent, with many parishes adding evening Masses to their weekday schedule.

Principal aim of the Crusade is to increase appreciation of the Mass and to enlarge Daily Mass League membership, now at a record 3,900 persons.

Benefits of the Mass—including extensive indulgences granted recently by Pope Pius XII to Catholics of the Rochester Diocese for enrollment in the League will be stressed in literature to be made available to parishes throughout the diocese.

Placards urging League membership will be distributed for display in church vestibules. They will contain two pockets—one for literature describing the league, the other with membership application cards.

THE LEAGUE also announced the availability of speakers for parish groups desiring talks on the Mass and the league.

League promoters have been named in many diocesan parishes. Effort will be made during the Crusade to establish promoters in parishes where there now is none.

Headquarters of the Daily Mass League is at Our Lady of Victory Church, 10 Pleasant St., Rochester 4. There are no dues, meetings, officers or promises. Persons desiring membership merely address their request to the Daily Mass League at the Pleasant Street address.

Pointing out that "the Mass is the highest form of worship man can give to God," the Rev. Edward P. Callens, S.S.C.C., pastor of Our Lady of Victory Church and spiritual director of the League, declared this week:

"Mass offers a great privilege and opportunity to join with Christ in the renewed sacrifice of Calvary. Its merits are infinite in value. Multiple blessings await those who add in promoting appreciation of the Holy Sacrifice."

THE LEAGUE is grateful, Father Callens said, to the Catholic Courier Journal for assisting the Crusade by its current publication of a series of articles on the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

First organized in 1931, the League was established last May as an officially recognized organization of the Rochester Diocese. For a practicing Catholic there is only one requirement for membership: "the genuine desire to attend Holy Mass daily in such a manner that it fosters within ourselves a greater devotion to the most Holy Sacrifice."

Father Callens pointed out that if a person (even a shut-in) has a "genuine desire" to attend Mass daily, but is unable to do so because of particular circumstances,

he or she still is eligible for membership in the League.

"Under normal conditions," he said, "a person's genuine desire to attend daily Mass will result in more frequent attendance than formerly, and will bring about also a greater devotion to and promotion of the Mass—thus are the purposes of the League validated."

He also called attention to the indulgences granted by the Holy Father to League enrollees. They include:

A PLENARY INDULGENCE to persons on the day of their reception into the League and at the hour of death; a once-monthly plenary to members who attend Mass for nine consecutive days; partial indulgences to members every time they attend Mass, and each time they perform some work of charity or piety according to the objects of the League.

ROCHESTER — 12:10 p.m. daily. Our Lady of Victory Church, and Corpus Christi Church, Main and Prince Streets; 5:20 p.m. daily, St. Joseph's Church, Franklin Street, and St. Francis of Assisi Church, Whitney and Orange Streets; 11:30 a.m. every school day, St. Thomas Church, Trondquist. ALL members every time they attend Mass, and each time they perform some work of charity or piety according to the objects of the League.

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Alumni and alumnae of Jesuit schools in more than 120 American cities gathered at Communion Breakfasts on March 11, to join in a tribute to St. Ignatius and to their alma maters. At that time it was suggested that this breakfast for all Jesuit alumni be made an annual affair.

All alumni and alumnae of Jesuit schools are invited to come to Mass and breakfast at McQuaid on March 9. They are asked to notify the Rev. James R. Barnett, S.J., at McQuaid Jesuit High School of their intention to attend.

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## St. Joseph's Parish Starts Fund Drive

St. Joseph's Parish, Penfield, will conduct a building fund campaign to finance construction of an addition to the school, and a new rectory, according to a letter addressed this week to parishioners by the Rev. John D. Malley, pastor.

A campaign committee, under the chairmanship of Dr. Victor J. Tofany, has been formed, with Lewis A. Schur, Gordon Albright and David Carroll serving as vice chairmen.

ADVANCE GIFT Solicitation, with John Odenbach and Richard Bay's as co-chairmen, will be conducted on Sunday, March 2, with general solicitation scheduled for March 9. Advisory committee is headed by Luke Smith and Milton Weishaar is acting as campaign treasurer.

Executive vice-chairmen of the general committee are Frank Hauswirth, Henry Sande and Thomas Yost. Minimum financial goal has been set at \$125,000.

Industry Chaplain For CWV Breakfast

Rev. William J. Schifferl, chaplain, State School at Industry, will be guest speaker at the Communion Breakfast of Monroe County Chapter, Catholic War Veterans and Auxiliary, Sunday, Feb. 23 at Treadway Inn, according to Charles Kaiser, county commander.

The 11th Annual Mass will be celebrated at St. Joseph's Church at 7:30 a.m. to be followed by the breakfast at 8:45 a.m.

Father Schifferl is a former assistant pastor at Holy Redeemer Church and a former chaplain of the County Catholic War Veterans, General Chairman Thomas Spinelli, said.

Presentation of the annual Outstanding Catholic Layman and Laywoman Awards will be a highlight at the breakfast.

Chairman Spinelli is assisted by Mario Ferrari, toastmaster; Barbara Foss, auxiliary; Trevor Durrant, ritual; Don Foley, speaker and Ray Jeffery, publicity.

Members and friends are invited to the Mass and to a Day of Recollection following to be conducted by the Rev. Charles B. Connell, chaplain of Nazareth Academy. Day's exercises will conclude with Benediction at 3:30 p.m.

Reservations to close on Feb. 22 are being made with Mary Ruth Hone, chairman, BUtel 8-1160.

St. Patrick's Eve Dance Slated

CYO T-Dances will not be held during Lent, except on Sunday, March 16, it was announced at the CYO office, 50 Chestnut St.

On March 16 a St. Patrick's Eve T-Dance will be held in Columbus Civic Center from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Forty Hours

Sunday, Feb. 23—Holy Family, Auburn.

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## Bishop Casey Opens Auburn Drive

BUILDING FUND APPEAL of St. Francis of Assisi Church, Auburn is launched at dinner meeting in school auditorium. Principal roles are taken by (from left) Jack A. Projno, general chairman; His Excellency, Auxiliary Bishop Casey, main speaker, and the Rev. John J. Nacca, pastor. (A. G. Tarby photo.)

## Lenten Discussion Programs Set Up

Two thousand members are expected to take part in the Lenten Discussion Club program throughout the Diocese of Rochester between now and Easter according to the Rev. Albert H. Schnackey, director of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine.

Eight or 10 members of each club meet once a week to discuss "Love in Action" as contained in the booklet by the Rev. Leo J. Tresce of Detroit. These booklets are available through Trant's, 56 Clinton Ave. N., Rochester.

Ten Points for Lenten Discussion Club members to remember are outlined by Father Schnackey:

1. Join a club — you won't live your faith unless you know it.
2. Attend regularly — when you miss, you miss out.
3. Have the text — you are sure of yourself if you use it.
4. Stick to the text — otherwise you will be stuck.
5. Use discussion aids — they are like spurs; use unless used.
6. Take part in discussion — you are not a clam, don't act like one.
7. Don't monopolize the discussion — you are not a phonograph, don't act like one.
8. Think aloud — say what you know; this helps you to know what you say.
9. Ask questions — a wondering mind stimulates wandering minds.
10. Form your own club this Lent — don't keep the Faith; share it.

Parishes reported as having discussion clubs include: Annunciation, Holy Cross, St. Augustine, St. James, Our Lady of Mercy in Rochester; St. Alphonsus and St. Hyacinth, Auburn; St. Mary's, Bath; St. Bridget's, East Bloomfield; Good Shepherd, Henrietta; St. Ignatius, Hornell; St. Patrick, Moravia; St. Leo, Hilton; St. Patrick, Dansville, and St. Mary, Waterloo.

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## High Schoolers Mission Slated

A three day mission for high school pupils will be conducted at St. John the Evangelist Church, Ridge Rd., West, in Greece, Sunday through Tuesday of this week.

Services each evening will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Father Albert Shamon of the St. Andrew's Seminary faculty will give the mission talks.

Pupils attending Catholic and public high schools are invited to make the mission, according to an invitation from Rev. Frederick Buch, assistant pastor, who is in charge of the mission arrangements.

## Alumnae Mass Set For March 1

First Saturday Mass of Rochester Circle, International Federation of Catholic Alumnae will be celebrated in the Academy of the Sacred Heart Chapel, 8 Prince St., March 1 at 8:30 a.m. according to Mrs. William Powers, regent.

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## Courier Story Produces Scooter

The Rev. Michael F. Kavanagh, S.J., a native of Rochester, has purchased a needed scooter for his missionary work in India through the help of the Courier Journal, he informed this newspaper this week.

"It was due to the publicity you gave me that I now have my new scooter," the Jesuit missionary wrote.

"I have already 1,600 miles on the speedometer. Besides our ordinary parish work, visiting our out stations, we are called upon to visit various sections where there is no church, but some gathering of Catholics.

"India, like other countries, in on the industrial move and people are settling where there is more work and more convenient living," he said. "When they are located, they naturally look for a priest."

"We have two or three places of this nature, on our waiting list."

Father Kavanagh recalled seeing in the Courier Journal the picture of Father Bernard LeFrois, S.J.D., when assigned to the Philippine missions of the Society of the Divine Word. Father LeFrois, he said, was his inspiration to enter the mission field, he said.

The Rochester Jesuit missionary's address is the Rev. Michael F. Kavanagh, S.J., Church of St. Joseph the Worker, Golumb, Jamahedpur, India.

## Communion Breakfast For Jesuit Alumni

The annual Jesuit college alumni Communion breakfast will be held on March 9, at McQuaid Jesuit High School, 1800 Clinton Ave. S. The Mass will be offered in the school chapel at 9 a.m. by His Excellency, Bishop Kearney and he will preach at the Mass.

The speaker at the breakfast will be the Rev. Robert F. Grewen, S.J., president of Le Moyne College in Syracuse. Father Grewen is the first Jesuit to start a house of the Society of Jesus in Syracuse. He began Christ the King retreat houses there in 1941 and he purchased the property for Le Moyne College. He has been president of the college since 1954.

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