



Msgr. Whalen Named Pastor Of Lourdes

Bishop Kearney has assigned five priests of the Rochester Diocese to new posts, the Chancery announced this week.

The new assignments are effective Tuesday, March 4, at 6 p.m.

They are as follows:

Very Rev. Msgr. Leslie G. Whalen, from assistant pastor of St. Mary's Church, Rochester, to assistant pastor of St. Mary's Church, Brighton.

Rev. Daniel V. Hogan, from assistant pastor of Holy Rosary Church, Rochester, to assistant pastor of St. Francis of Assisi Church, Auburn.

Rev. Charles Bennett, from assistant pastor of St. Charles Borromeo Church, Greece, to assistant pastor of St. Mary's Church, Rochester.

Rev. Leo J. Mann, from assistant pastor of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, Rochester, to assistant pastor of Holy Rosary Church, Rochester.

Rev. James Wolfe, from assistant pastor of St. Vincent de Paul Church, Corning, to assistant pastor of St. Charles Borromeo Church, Rochester.

MONSIGNOR WHELAN assigned as third pastor of the thirty year old Brighton parish of Our Lady of Lourdes, succeeds the late Rt. Rev. Msgr. Francis W. Luddy who died Feb. 18, 1958.

Founder and first pastor of the parish was Rev. Frank W. Mason, now pastor of St. Ambrose Church, Rochester. He organized the Brighton parish in 1928 and served as pastor until 1937.

Since 1946, Monsignor Whalen has been assistant pastor in St. Mary's Church in downtown Rochester. In 1950 he was given added duties as vice chancellor of the Diocese.

During World War II, he was a Navy Chaplain serving with the Fourth Marine Division in the Pacific area. Later he was elected national chaplain of the veterans of the Fourth Marine Division Association.

The forty-five year old priest is a native Rochesterian educated at St. Andrew's parochial school, St. Andrew's and St. Bernard's Seminaries.

Ordained in 1938 he served as assistant pastor at St. Mary's Church, Auburn, and St. Peter and Paul's Church, Elmira, prior to his chaplaincy in the U.S. Navy.

Pope Pius XII named him a papal chamberlain with the title Very Rev. Monsignor on Feb. 17, 1956.

Infant Baptism Delay Deplored

Vatican City—(RNS)—Newborn babies should be baptized as soon as possible, the Sacred Congregation of the Holy Office warned Catholic parents in a statement issued with the approval of Pope Pius XII.

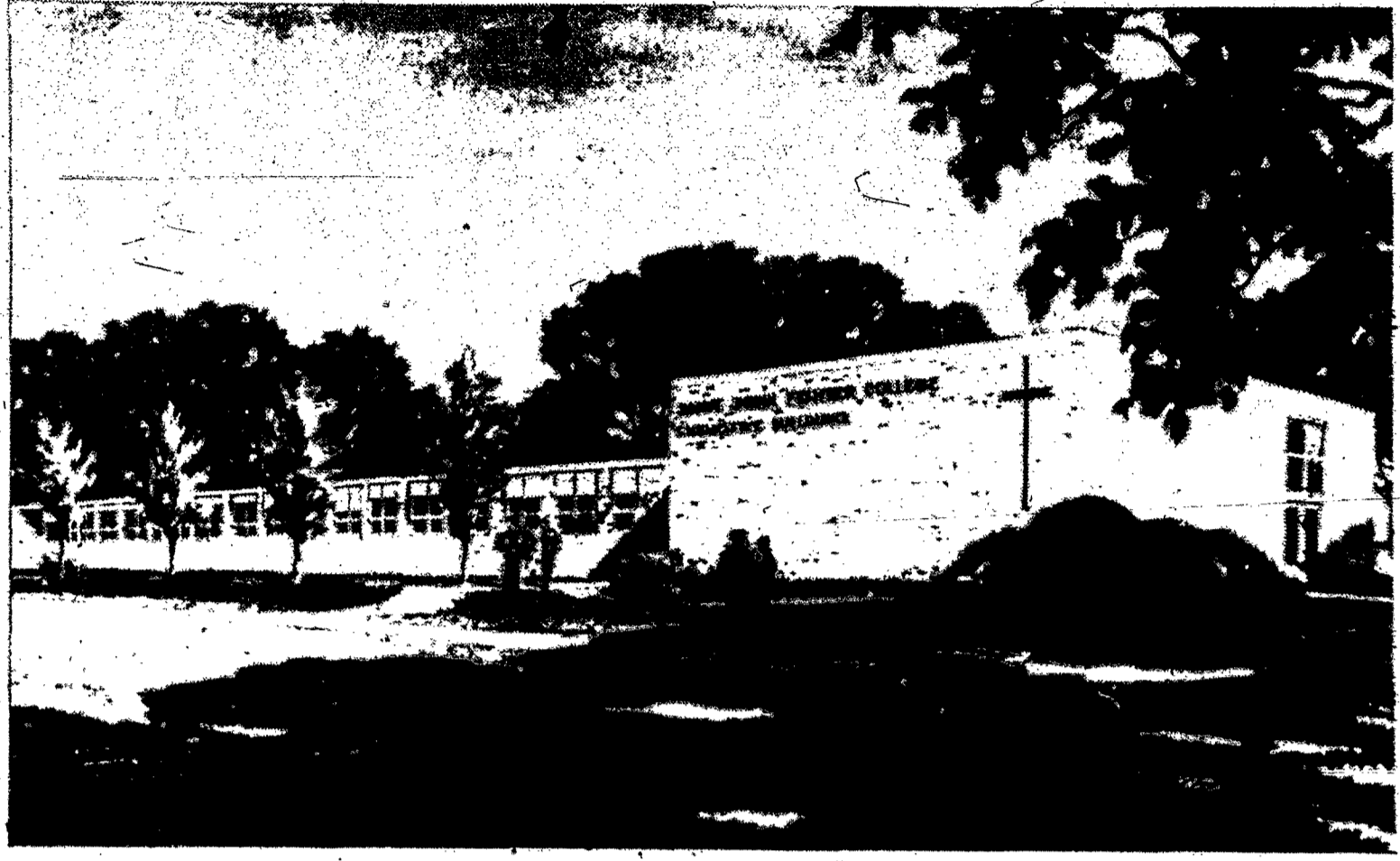
The Congregation said it was to be deplored that in many cases baptism is delayed for unjustified reasons.

It reminded Catholics that canon 770 of the Code of Canon Law prescribes as a matter of "grave obligation" that parents have their children baptized without unnecessary delay.

Toronto Cardinal Opens Charity Plea

Toronto—(RNS)—Cardinal McGuigan, Archbishop of Toronto, announced a \$6,000,000 fund appeal to replace the 103-year-old House of Providence building for the aged.

Sunbeam Appliances, Toasters, Mixers, etc. Budget Payments. William S. Thorne Jewelry, 318 Main St. East.—Adv.



Sketch of proposed Chemistry building for St. John Fisher College

St. John Fisher College To Build Chemistry Building

Construction of a new chemistry building for St. John Fisher College will start this Spring, according to an announcement from the Very Rev. John F. Murphy, CSB, college president.

Father Murphy said that bidding on the latest addition to the college plant will start in the next two weeks. Robert Hall of the Rochester architectural firm of Barrows, Park, North, Hall and Brennan, is the architect for the new building.

THE CHEMISTRY building will be the first unit of three buildings for the new lower campus being developed at the college's East Avenue site. It will be located about 600 feet northeast of the administration building, near the parking lot.

The other buildings to follow this chemistry unit are a biology-physiology unit and a gymnasium. "With the new space provided and the old space released, instructional areas at the college will accommodate 800 students, the first step in moving towards our immediate goal of providing for 1,000 students," Father Murphy said.

AT PRESENT, there are 445 students at the college. The school hopes to reach its goal of 1,000 students by 1970.

The school, which opened in 1880 and graduated its first class in 1954, is conducted by the Basilian Fathers. This is the second addition to the college since its inception. In 1954, the college

added an auditorium, dedicated to the memory of Rosina O'Doherty Kearney, mother of Bishop Kearney.

THE NEW chemistry building will be of single story construction, done in brick matching that of the administration building. Providing about 11,000 square feet of floor space, the new building will include a general chemistry laboratory, an analytical laboratory, an organic laboratory, a physical chemistry laboratory and a chemistry library/seminar room.

In addition, there will be staff offices, areas for professors' research, and a stock room. A chemistry auditorium to accommodate about 140 people is also included.

'Our Sacrifice'

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Bishop Offers Requiem For Msgr. Luddy

Led by His Excellency Bishop Kearney, priests, nuns and laity filled Our Lady of Lourdes Church Friday (Feb. 21), to pay final tribute to Monsignor Francis W. Luddy, pastor of the Brighton parish.

Monsignor Luddy died Feb. 18, 1958 after a long illness. He had been pastor at Our Lady of Lourdes since 1937 and prior to that was rector of St. Andrew's Seminary.

Bishop Kearney celebrated the funeral Mass and imparted the absolution following Mass. Auxiliary Bishop Casey also attended the Mass and said the committal prayers at the grave in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

Monsignor Maynard A. Connell, who preached the eulogy at the funeral Mass, said the death of a priest is a graphic lesson to a world which tends to ignore the fact of death. "No matter how high in honor or holy in life, every man, every priest must one day die."

He recounted the story of Monsignor Luddy's life, especially his eighteen years as rector of St. Andrew's, the diocesan preparatory seminary.

"Through his far sighted wisdom and careful planning, the priests of our Diocese today are able to have the best and most up-to-date education, recognized by both secular and church educators," Monsignor Connell stated.

He also described the Brighton pastor's twenty years as "shepherd of the flock dedicated to Our Lady of Lourdes."

He said the convert instructions and sick calls made from the rectory, the Christian education

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Red Terrorists Strike At China Bishops, Clergy

By FATHER MORGAN VITTEGEL (Radio, N.C.W.C. News Service)

Hong Kong, Feb. 25—China's Reds are continuing to strike out at bishops and priests in their stepped-up nationwide campaign against the Church.

Father James Yang, administrator of the Nancheng diocese, has been sentenced to 10 years in prison. The see's ordinary, Bishop Patrick Cleary of the Society of St. Columban, was expelled by the communists some years ago.

In Canton mass meetings have been staged by the Reds to amass "evidence" against the Jesuit Bishop Tang, apostolic administrator of Canton, who was arrested on February 5.

The Bishop, however, stated in a message received here before his arrest that he was determined to resist until death any Red pressure to make him accept their demands for a schismatic "national church."

At the same time a "patriotic bishop" has been "elected" by a meeting of the Red-controlled Patriotic Association of Chinese Catholics in Szechuan province.

At indoctrination meetings now being held throughout China, the communists have let it be known in no uncertain terms that all members of the Catholic hierarchy who insist on remaining in communion with the Holy See will be imprisoned, and "Patriotic" successors elected in their place.

IN HOPEH province the communist press has attacked Bishop Peter Fan of Haining for "obstructing" an indoctrination meeting of the "patriotic" group. The 1958 edition of the official Vatican yearbook, Anuario Pontificio, reports the Bishop as imprisoned.

The meeting was also told that the Holy See acted in an imperialistic manner when it failed to punish Cardinal Spellman of New York, "for boosting the morale of U.N. aggressive troops in South Korea" during his recent visit there.

At another indoctrination meeting Archbishop Joseph Chou of Nanchang, 66, a Vincentian, was reportedly ousted for being "too old and obstinate" to take part in the discussions. The Archbishop is also reported as in jail by the Vatican yearbook.

According to word received here from Canton, the communists have forced every priest and Catholic there, including school children, to attend meetings at which they are encouraged to denounce Bishop Tang. The communist government is expected to use such denunciations as evidence when and if Bishop Tang is brought to trial.

Leading and directing the accusations and denunciations are a handful of apostate Catholics whom the communists are using to foment hatred against the Bishop among the faithful of Canton, reports state.

THAT THE communist plan is meeting opposition is apparent from further reports that the gatherings invariably disintegrate into "tumultuous scenes of shouting and screaming of accusations and counter-accusations between the faithful Catholics" (Continued on Page 6)

For Lourdes



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Vatican Stamps

Six new postage stamps have been issued by the Vatican City Post Office in honor of the Centennial Year of Our Lady's Shrine at Lourdes. Three different designs, showing the grotto, a wheel-chair pilgrim, and St. Bernard, distinguish the issue. (NO Photos)

Parishes Report C-J Circulation

Twenty-three parishes in the Diocese reported this week that they will continue the "total coverage" plan of the Catholic Courier Journal, according to Elmer Graepensteter, circulation manager of the paper.

This brings a total of 55 parishes in the Diocese in the plan, during the current subscription drive that goes on during February, Catholic Press Month each year.

THE NEWEST to file "total coverage" reports are:

St. Francis Xavier, Rochester, Msgr. Patrick Moffatt, pastor; 312; St. Leo's, Milton, Rev. Jacob R. Rauber, pastor, 155 (gain, 7); St. Joseph's Livonia and St. William, Conesus, Rev. Roy F. Hager, pastor, 126 (gain, 6); St. Patrick's, Moravia, Rev. William J. O'Brien, pastor, 162 (gain, 1).

St. Michael's, Livonia Center and St. Mary, Honeye, Rev. J. Joseph O'Connell, pastor, 127 (Continued on Page 6)

Send flowers for a true expression of sympathy. Flowers often express your thoughts and respect more simply and more beautifully than words. Call Blanchard Florist at BAKER 5-2424, 25 Lake Avenue.—Adv.

India Hindus Join Lourdes Pilgrimage

Madras, India—(NC)—Most of India's first-party of pilgrims to Lourdes, France, during the centenary year are Hindus.

Led by two Franciscan nuns, the group of 17 women left Madras by air for Rome, and later Lourdes. All are students at the Catholic Stella Maris Women's College here. The nuns are members of the college staff.

In the group are 11 Hindus, five Catholics and a Protestant. Before returning to India in March, they will visit Catholic shrines in Italy, Switzerland, Great Britain and Portugal.

Trappist Monk Dies, Former Lawyer, GI

Solemn funeral rites were held Monday (Feb. 24) at the Trappist Abbey of Our Lady of the Genesee, Piffard, by the Rev. M. James LaNasa, O.C.S.O., who died Saturday, Feb. 22, 1958.

Rt. Rev. Abbot Walter M. Helmstetter, O.C.S.O., celebrated the pontifical Requiem Mass, imparted final absolution and conducted the committal service at the grave in the abbey's cemetery.

Father LaNasa is the fourth Trappist of the Piffard community to die since the monastery was first established there in 1951.

THE THIRTY-SIX year old priest died Saturday at 3 a.m. while his fellow monks were in chapel chanting the early morning Office of Matins.

He was ordained last Nov. 10 in St. Mary's Hospital chapel, Rochester, by Bishop Kearney. He was at that time suffering from the cancer which claimed his life this past week.

He had been scheduled to be ordained this coming June but in view of his illness Pope Pius XII permitted his ordination at an earlier date.

The young priest was also permitted by special papal decree to offer his Mass seated rather than standing, a privilege Father LaNasa used up until three weeks ago when weakness forced him to his bed permanently.

ERIOR TO HIS entering the Trappist Order, officially known as the Cistercian Order of the Strict Observance, Father LaNasa was a lawyer in the village of Clyde where he was an active member of St. John's parish there.

He won his law degree after studies at Syracuse University and for a time was associated with M. Maurice Chacchia of Geneva, now district attorney of Ontario County.

During World War II, Father LaNasa served in the U.S. Infantry in the Pacific area and was wounded in the invasion of Okinawa.

He was a graduate of DeSales High School, Geneva, and Canisius College, Buffalo.

FATHER LA NASA, the son of Charles E. LaNasa, 154 White

Mother Seton's Story

The Courier-Journal, in its third article, continues the Mother Seton story, as told by Edward Steimer, staff writer for the Pittsburgh Catholic. Episcopalian-born Elizabeth Bayley Seton may be the first native-born American citizen raised to sainthood in the Catholic Church. Following her role as wife, mother (of five children), and widow, this antique belle of New York society embraced the Catholic Faith and founded the American Sisters of Charity.

By EDWARD STEIMER
In those days of adversity at the turn of the 19th century, Mrs. Seton's religious philosophy steadied her as she had recourse to prayer at every moment.

Her own anxieties for her husband in his illness, the care of so many foster-children as well as her own, the family business problems, and the prospect again of childbirth found her not only imploring divine aid, but also taking thought of others.

SHE WAS STILL a devout Episcopalian, often partaking in the ceremony of the so-called



MOTHER SETON

more apathetic, beset as he was by tuberculosis, in addition to business worries.

She took over the firm's correspondence and wrote far into the night. To her father, apologizing for neglecting him, she wrote:

"I have of late been so much engaged in copying mercantile correspondence and assisting my friend (her husband) in making statements to his partner in London, that your letter was absolutely necessary to restore my thoughts in their usual channel."

She kept up the onerous letter writing even though she was expecting a child, as a distraction from her own discomfort and because it helped her to learn the functions of the business, so she could be a better companion for her husband in his trials.

Firm Goes Bankrupt

Dr. Bayley took his daughter away to Staten Island for the birth of her fourth child, Catherine Josephine, June, 1800, but Mrs. Seton's return to Stone Street that fall renewed in her the cares and anxieties. By year's end the Seton firm went bankrupt and out of existence.

The public-spirited doctor had gotten the State Legislature to build a hospital and (Continued on Page 8)

Doctor Claims Lourdes Cure

Paris—(RNS)—A physician attached to the Lourdes Medical Bureau, which investigates cases of reported miraculous cures at the famous Marian shrine, believes that he himself has been the subject of a miraculous cure.

The doctor, whose name has been withheld, is now having his case investigated by his Bureau colleagues.

A few weeks ago an X-ray examination revealed seven stones in his gall bladder and an immediate operation was advised. But the doctor decided to place himself in the hands of Our Lady of Lourdes.

On his return home, however, he was forced to take to his bed. A further X-ray a few days later showed that three stones had disappeared. Shortly afterwards the doctor suffered a second and even more severe attack and was again forced to bed.

Within a few days the doctor was feeling so much better that he had another X-ray taken. This time, to everybody's astonishment, the remaining four stones, as large as pigeon's eggs, were found to have disappeared.

There had been no evacuation of the stones and it was impossible to dissolve them in any normal way. The doctor's medical advisers could offer no explanation for the phenomenon, and he is awaiting the verdict of the Medical Bureau.