

St. Francis Parishioners To Receive Papal Blessing

The Apostolic Blessing of Pope Pius XII will be given to parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi Church, Rochester, at the 8 a.m. Mass Sunday, March 9.

Father Joseph Cirincione, pastor, has received Vatican authorization to impart the special blessing.

News of the unique privilege came to Father Cirincione, who is director of the radio program, The Family Rosary for Peace, in a letter he received this week from Monsignor Angelo Dell'Acqua, substitute secretary of state at the Vatican.

REASON FOR the Pope's blessing is the eighth anniversary of the nightly radio broadcast, the Family Rosary for Peace, which originates from the

St. Francis of Assisi parish center.

The program is aired over station WSAW each evening at 7 p.m.

The half hour program was launched eight years ago, the first broadcast being March 4, 1950.

Father Cirincione said the permission to give the Pope's blessing to his parishioners is limited to but one occasion and that is why he has selected the Sunday date as more convenient for his people instead of the actual an-

niversary which falls on Tuesday.

The blessing conveys a plenary indulgence.

MARKING THE program's eighth birthday this March 4th, Father Cirincione stated, will be a special broadcast of the Rosary featuring five brothers who will lead their families in reciting the familiar devotion honoring the Blessed Virgin.

Martin, Clement, Charles, Wendel and Gerard Bayer, will each take one decade of the Rosary.

Accompanying them will be their wives and a total of 25 children.

The March 4th broadcast will originate from the parish church rather than from the St. Francis parish center to accommodate relatives and friends of the Bayers who plan to attend the program.

Father Cirincione estimates that the program's audience has accounted for a total of seventy five million Rosaries recited during the past eight years.

He has set a 1953 goal of fifteen million Rosaries to make a nine year total of ninety million.

Besides parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi Church named to receive the Pope's blessing are the executive committee members of the Rosary program. They are Bishop Kearney, Rev. Richard Tormey, Frank R. Davis, and Frank E. Wolfe.



Care For Aged In Missions

AGED OF THE MISSION world "receive love and care as well as helpful work in the 400 Homes which you help support through your sacrifices to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith," according to the Rev. George S. Wood, diocesan director. His office is at 50 Chestnut St., Rochester 4, N. Y.

Annual Retreat For St. Joseph's Nurses

Annual retreat for student nurses at St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing will open March 5 and continue for two days.

Closing will be on March 8, with a Mass in the Little Flower Chapel, Dunn Memorial Nurses' Residence, A Communion breakfast in the Cafeteria will follow the Mass.

The retreat Master will be Rev. Timothy O'Dwyer, S.J., of the Jesuit Mission Band, New York City.

Fifty pre-clinical students at St. Joseph's School of Nursing will receive their caps at exercises in the Little Flower Chapel on March 9 at 3:30 p.m.

Sister Margaret Adelaide, hospital administrator and Sister Anne Maurice, director of nursing will present the caps.

The students will be addressed by Rev. Norbert L. Nolan, assistant pastor, St. Ignatius Church, Hornell.

St. Bonaventure Slates High School Press Day

St. Bonaventure, N. Y. — Representatives of high schools in four states have been invited to participate in St. Bonaventure

Fides Forum Lists

Father Paret

The Rev. John J. Paret, S.J., a faculty member at McQuaid Jesuit High School, will speak at 8:15 p.m. Tuesday, Mar. 4, in St. Joseph's House of Hospitality, 402 South Ave. His topic is "The Tentacles of Materialism."

It will be the fifth in a series of nine monthly lectures sponsored by the Fides Forum, a discussion group organized by those who conduct the hospitality house, where 50 to 100 men receive free meals and clothing daily. The public is welcome to attend Tuesday's forum.

Recollection Day

Set By Hornell CDA

Hornell—Members of Court St. Ann, 494, Catholic Daughters of America will join with St. Ann's Mothers Club for a Day of Recollection, Sunday, March 3 in St. Ann Church, it was announced at a meeting Monday in the CDA rooms.

A turkey dinner was served to 135 members of the Court. Co-chairmen were Mrs. Florence Randazzo and Mrs. Louise Scrocco. A sunshine basket for patients at Mt. Morris Hospital was prepared.

Announcement was made that the annual CDA Poetry Contest had been opened in St. Ann School. Children will compete in three grade levels. Winners will have their poems entered in the state contest with state entries going into the national contest. Mrs. Margaret Hussong, education chairman will judge local entries.

Mrs. Justina Brnak

Requiem Offered

Bath — The Rosary was recited Monday evening, Feb. 17, at the family residence in Avoca RD 1 for Mrs. Justina Brnak, 63, who died the previous Saturday in Lakeview Memorial Hospital.

Requiem Mass was offered in St. Mary's Church here Tuesday morning, Feb. 18, by the Rev. H. C. Manley, with burial taking place in Pleasant Valley Cemetery in Hammondsport.

Mrs. Brnak was born in Czechoslovakia September 3, 1894.

Surviving with her husband John, are three daughters, Mrs. George Robinson, Mrs. Clinton Cummings and Mrs. Sheldon Burns, all of Hammondsport, and 15 grandchildren.

The Fagan Funeral Home here had charge of arrangements.

Priest Named

To New Post

Washington (NC) — Father Raymond B. Hain has been appointed director of student personnel services at the Catholic University of America here, Msgr. William J. McDonald, university rector announced.

A priest of the Diocese of Lincoln, Neb., Father Hain has served for the past two years as chaplain of women students at the university and as moderator of the Tower, undergraduate campus publication.



RADIO-ACTIVE GLASS, Dr. J. Raymond Hensler, a research scientist at the Bausch and Lomb Optical Co., checks the radio-activity of a piece of glass with a Geiger counter in his laboratory at the optical works.

Bausch Scientist Leader In Lay Apostolate Work

By FRANK KELLY

There has long been a misconception that if a person wanted to be a highly-rated scientist, he really couldn't be a Catholic.

This is a statement that can be proved wrong in a number of instances in Rochester as in all other cities of this country.

Take, for instance, Joseph Raymond Hensler one of the leading scientific research men working at one of Rochester's top concerns—the Bausch and Lomb Optical Co.

A GRADUATE of Penn State, Dr. Hensler is a member of St. Anne's Parish, Brighton Park, and is recognized as one of the leading lay workers in that parish.

At the same time, he is also regarded by his employers and cohorts at Bausch and Lomb as a top-flight research chemist.

"There is no conflict at all between my scientific interests and the profession of my faith," Dr. Hensler said. "Each demands a concentrated attention which I try to give to both. I have never had any conflict, and never expect to have any."

In his position as the acting head of the glass technology department, Dr. Hensler, who received his doctor of philosophy degree in ceramics at Penn State in 1951, has been sent by Dr. Norbert Kreidl, head of Bausch's research section, to many conferences in all parts of the country.

At these conferences, Dr. Hensler both presents his theories that he and his fellow research chemists have worked out in the laboratories of Bausch and Lomb, and listens to the theories that have been worked out by other research men.

AT THE present time, Dr. Hensler is primarily concerned with radiation effects on glass. He and the rest of the research team have already developed a glass that has an anti-radioactive quality.

One of its many applications is its use by the Atomic Energy Commission for radiation purposes.

Dr. Hensler is also chairman of the program committee that is setting up a conference in Pittsburgh. Topic of the conference will be the presentation of papers on new topics in glass.

PRESENT at these conferences are some of the top-flight chemists from all over the world, such as E.U. Condon, former head of research at the Corning

Crusade Enrolls 600 In Daily Mass League

By Arthur Farrer

With weekday Mass attendance at record numbers because of the Lenten season, members of the Daily Mass League this week were continuing their promotion of a daily Mass crusade.

More than 60 applications for league membership had been received through Tuesday as a result of the Crusade announcement in last week's Catholic Courier Journal, league promoters declared. Nearly 4,000 persons have been enrolled by the recently-established league.

Aim of the Crusade is to increase devotion to the Mass and to add to the membership of the league.

PROMOTERS SAID they will make available to diocesan parishes next week a placard, for display in the vestibule, urging weekday Mass attendance and containing two pockets — one for literature describing the league, the other with membership application cards.

They pointed out that membership in the league — which has no dues, no meetings, no officers and no promises — aids in promotion of devotion to the Mass and provides special indulgences to those enrolled.

Any practicing Catholic (even a shut-in) who has a genuine desire to attend Mass daily — even if unable to do so regularly because of particular circumstances — is eligible for league membership.

APPLICATIONS SHOULD be addressed to the Daily Mass League, 10 Pleasant St., Rochester 4, S. Rev. Edward P. Callens, S.S.C., pastor of Our Lady of Victory Church, is league director.

Harold J. Coleman, one of the leading league promoters, said this week that league speakers are available for parish organizations.

Over 2500 members of the Rochester Nocturnal Adoration Society have been enlisted in the crusade being conducted by the Daily Mass League during Lent.

Letters have gone out to the entire membership over the signatures of the Presidents of the four Rochester Nocturnal Centers, supplying pamphlets stating the purposes and advantages of the Daily Mass League membership, together with enrollment blanks.

Urging Nocturnal men to join promotion of membership in the Daily Mass League, Joseph W. Benn, Executive Secretary of the Nocturnal Central Committee, said:

"Many Nocturnal members are already enrolled in the Daily Mass League and many others are fulfilling the requirements of membership. We hope that Nocturnal men will discuss the matter of frequent or daily attendance at week-day Mass with other members of their families and with their friends."

Mr. Benn stressed the importance of official enrollment in the Daily Mass League in order to gain the many indulgences with which the League was recently endowed by His Holiness, Pope Pius XII.

Home-Made Chapel By GI's Dedicated

Carrizozo, N.M. — (RNS) — A home-made chapel built of salvaged materials by GI's in their spare time at the Red Canyon Nike missile range near here was dedicated by Monsignor (Maj. Gen.) Patrick J. Ryan, chief of Army chaplains.

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Elmira Area Deaths

Four deaths this past week were reported from the Elmira area.

Thomas Jacob Schmidt, 84, of 262 Fourth St., formerly of Washington, D.C., Wednesday, Feb. 19, 1953. Survived by nephews, John J. Diveny and James A. Schmidt of Elmira; niece, Mrs. Roy Phelps of Desert Hot Springs, Calif. Body was at O'Dea Funeral Home. Prayer service there Saturday at 8 a.m. Requiem High Mass at 9 in St. Patrick's Church, St. Peter and Paul's Cemetery.

Scouts To Honor Bishop Kearney

His Excellency Bishop Kearney will be honored for his encouragement of the Scouting movement in this area at a Scouters' dinner, Wednesday, March 12 in St. Monica Parish hall.

Louis A. Langie will be toastmaster. Mel Nelson, president of Oretiana Council and Fred Wellington, executive scoutmaster will bring area Boy Scout tributes to the Bishop.

Mayor Peter Barry will represent the city of Rochester. Host to the group will be Monsignor Gerald C. Lambert, pastor of St. Monica Church.

Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are available from the institutional representative of each unit. All leaders are welcome.

Catholic Scout Leaders To Meet

New York — (NC) — The national conference of diocesan Boy Scout chaplains and diocesan lay chaplains of scouting activities will be held here April 9 and 10.

At a dinner on the second day Archbishop Richard J. Cushing of Boston and Carlos P. Romulo, Philippine Ambassador to the United States, will speak. Host to the conference will be Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop of New York.

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