

Offer Mass For Father McCarthy

Corning — The 11 a.m. High Mass at St. Vincent de Paul's Church last Sunday morning was offered for the Rev. Joseph McCarthy, assistant pastor of Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, Rochester, who died last week following an extended illness.

Father McCarthy is well known in Corning, having served as an assistant pastor at both St. Vincent and St. Mary's Churches here. He came to Corning shortly after his ordination in 1940 and served at St. Vincent de Paul until May, 1943. In 1945, Father McCarthy returned to Corning as assistant to the late Rev. John Smith, then pastor of St. Mary's Church. The Rochester priest held his latter Corning assignment until 1951.

Real Cool

By MARGENE BETTS

When summer's humid heat depresses,
When shorts are worn instead of dresses,
The air-conditioner in the wall
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But winter winds are swirling now;
The temperature is five belows;
The air-conditioner now looks tragic,
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Father O'Brien

Following is the text of the eulogy preached by the Rev. George S. Wood at the funeral Mass of Rev. Michael P. O'Brien in Sacred Heart Cathedral, Wednesday, March 26, 1953.

"And I say to thee that thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church." (Matthew XVI-18)

When God created the world He gave many gifts, but the greatest gift which God has given to the world is the gift of Himself, when He became man on Christmas day, and still remained God. He wished to offer Himself for the salvation of the world upon the Cross of Calvary.

Faithful to the humanity which He assumed, Christ subjected Himself to the hardships and pains and struggles and sufferings of life. Faithful to the divinity which He possessed, Christ continued to bestow the gifts of God upon mankind. He gave us the power of salvation. He gave us the grace of God in the Sacraments. He gave us the gift of the Eucharist, the Mass. He finally gave us the gift of His Mystical Body, the Church.

CHRIST DID NOT intend to have these gifts die with His death. They were to be renewed for every individual and for every generation until the end of time. That is why Christ said: "Then art Peter and upon this rock I will build my Church." That is why Christ said: "And behold I am with you all days even to the consummation of the world." That is why Christ arranged the perpetuation of these gifts by the continuation of His priesthood throughout the world.

It is through the priest that the truths of Christ are still taught and the sacraments of Christ still administered. It is through the priest that the Sacrifice of Christ is still repeated. The priest is another Christ.

That is why the priesthood is honored. That is why civil tyrants seek to destroy the priesthood when they wish to destroy the Church. That is why the priesthood is the most dynamic and fruitful gift that Christ can bestow upon the priest himself or upon the people whom he serves.

That is why the death of a priest is the greatest of tragedies to his family, to his friends, to his parishioners, to his Diocese and to the Church.

For these reasons we pause today before the stilled form of a priest to do him honors.

It was on May 16, 1940, we saw him kneeling in this Church receiving the command of his bishop to go forth and teach and baptize and offer sacrifice.

The years that followed are well known. His appointment to Holy Apostles Church, then to St. Mary's. His active service in the Army as a chaplain, his years at St. Thomas and St. Monica's and finally last June he received another command from his bishop to establish the new St. Joseph Church in the diocese of Rochester—Our Lady of Mercy.

He entered into this work with his whole body and soul—calling on every family, personally in the parish, making a complete census. His heart was filled with joy when on St. Patrick's day he entered his new rectory to work

in the midst of his flock—hearing the words of Christ "Upon this rock I will build my Church." He was still strong and active in his priestly duties when he was stricken on Sunday while taking the registration for his new school.

The mind of God is infinite. Therefore our finite minds cannot penetrate the reason why God called him. One might be tempted to say: "how sad that one so young should die, should be taken in the very maturity of his priesthood." Such a speaker would reveal no understanding of what a privilege it is to be worn out in the service of Christ and His Church.

The time of a good priest's death is always in the hands of God and we must never speak of it as "premature," however young, however gifted, the priest may be.

FATHER O'BRIEN'S personal gifts were rich and rare. He possessed a fine priestly mind. His humor, his smile and his humanity made his ministry warm and attractive. He was sincere and steadfast and sacrificial.

He was never too busy to busy himself with outside activities, such as the men in his Army outfit, the Ancient Order of Hibernians, the pilgrims who journeyed with him three times to Our Lady's Shrine at Knock in Ireland. He had an intense devotion to duty as well as to his fellow-priests and to his family.

The sorrow which we, his fellow-priests, feel today is only secondary to the sorrow imposed upon his good mother, brother and sisters. To them, in the name of Bishop Kearney and Bishop Casey and of the entire Diocese, we extend our deepest sympathy and our prayerful hope that God will sustain them in their sorrow.

One who had given his all in 15 years in the priesthood is once again in the Church of his ordination. "not to hear the words 'Upon this rock I will build my Church.' His Church is being built—but to hear the words 'Well done, thou good and faithful servant.'"

The voice heard from the pulpit at the altar and in the confessional is forever still. For the first time in this earth he will wear the priestly vestments and in heaven he will forever walk with the Great High Priest.

May he be his companion for life in "Our Lady of Mercy," St. Michael the archangel will be his associate.

The Mass he said for so many others was this morning said for him. The holy water so often sprinkled on the coffins of others will now be sprinkled on his own. He will go out of this Cathedral his home parish for the last time to be laid to rest next to his classmate Father Joseph McCarthy, whom we buried on Monday.

We who have loved him in life let us not be unmindful of him in death and now may we say in the words of the Church a solemn farewell: "Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and may perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen."

Winners Listed

Hornell — Prize winners of the Catholic Daughters of America Poetry Contest from St. Ann School were presented at Court St. Ann dinner in the CDA rooms by Mrs. George Hysong, Jr., education program chairman at the last meeting.

Presided over by Mrs. Charles Weber, grand regent, the dinner attracted 143 members.

Winners and their mothers were guests at the dinner.

They are: First Division (grades 4, 5 and 6) — First Prize, Linda Hagene, Grade 6 — "A Child's Evening Prayer." Second Prize, Linda Smith — Grade 4 — "My Prayer." Third Prize, James Mazza, Grade 5 — "The Holy Name of Jesus."

Second Division (Grades 7 and 8) First Prize — Mary Jane Sullivan, Grade 8 — "Lovely Lady." Second Prize — Joanne Danaher, Grade 8 — "Canticle." Third Prize — Kathleen McLaughlin — Grade 7 — "My Rosary."

The prize winning essays will be entered in the state contest.

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Co-Champions of Junior High Loop

ST. MARY SCHOOL, Corning basketball team, co-champions of the Junior High League who finished a successful season with eight wins, two losses. Kneeling is Jimmy Driscoll. First row, (from left) Rocky Spazola, George Welch, John Rossett, Tony Gannaro; second row, Paul Yorio, Francis Russo, Tom Deneen, John Tunney, Tim Broder. Team defeated their fathers, 47-41 in season finale. The team expects successful coming year with only three to be lost by graduation. (Tom Gill Photo).

'Rebuild Spiritual Life,' Convert Tells Third Order Of St. Francis

"Francis, do you not see that my Church is being destroyed? Go therefore and repair it." With this essential principle in God's own words to St. Francis of Assisi, 23 Territories of the St. John the Baptist Fraternity, the Franciscan Third Order in Elmira, were challenged for Catholic Action by Philip M. Sutton, treasurer of the group. The occasion was the regular monthly meeting of the fraternity at St. John the Baptist Church Tuesday.

SUTTON'S THEME was the rebuilding of the spiritual life of the Church, the work to which St. Francis graduated from the labor of physically rebuilding chapels with stones and mortar.

It was not easy, continued Sutton. Rebuilding came from all sides. But his example was infectious. Men joined his band and when there were 12, Francis went to Rome to ask approval of his "Rule." When he had the full support of Pope Innocent III he preached in churches and cathedrals, speaking the language of the common people. "As carefully as he had chiseled the stones into their proper shape and lovingly carried them to the chapel, Francis prepared souls with his stirring sermons and the example of living the Gospel in full.

"More disciples came to help and an ever increasing number of people came to follow Francis' Rule of Life. With St. Clare he founded the Poor Clares, the second Order, then the Order of Penance, called the Third Order.

"The Franciscan spirit spread throughout Europe and in its wake feudalism died and freedom and human dignity became the accepted rights of man."

THE SPEAKER referred to the first Fraternities of the Third Order, the founding of credit unions, labor unions and associations of small merchants dating from that period seven centuries ago. Many hospitals founded by Third Order Fraternities are still in operation today. All this, said Sutton, began with one little man in a small village in Italy.

Sutton, himself a convert, called for an efficient, effective program for seeking out and instructing prospective converts to the Church of God.

"Time and again, down through the centuries, the Popes have called upon the Third Order to strengthen itself and do its job of repairing the Church of God. The complete structure of the Church requires the presence of every stone in the world — every soul. There always will be work to do. Our present Pope, who is a member of the Third Order, has again issued the call. To you and to me, to all Franciscans."

Sutton emphasized the Godless condition of the present world. "There are people lost, not only to God, but to civilization. They walk about in the appearance of civilized beings but civilization means nothing to them. They respect no one. They do not believe that any girl, or any boy,

or any man or woman in the world possesses such a thing as virtue. They are not just unbelievers; they never even think of God."

"WHEN CHRIST is left out of materialism creeps in. Materialism, not communism, is our greatest enemy. Communism is our enemy because it is so basically and pathetically materialistic. Saint Archbishop Cushing at the Boston Congress, 'If it were not for Communism's record of cruelty, brutality and slavery, day after day of the month at 7:30 p.m.

millions more would be attracted to it because they are materialists themselves. We must combat our materialistic tendencies by practicing the moderation outlined in the rule... exhibit the Franciscan spirit wherever we go, and make it known that we are what we are for God, not for human satisfaction or a sense of pride, not just because we have been brought up well."

A regular meeting of the fraternity is held each fourth Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m.

Funeral Rites In Corning

Painted Post — Jeannine Ferreira of 222 N. Hamilton St., shoe repairman in Corning and Painted Post for many years, died Thursday, March 26, in Roswell Park Memorial Hospital in Buffalo following an illness of several months. Following prayers at the A. W. Beahy and son funeral home in Corning Monday morning, Requiem Mass was offered in the Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary with burial in St. Mary's Cemetery.

A native of Madeira, Portugal, Mr. Ferreira was born August 14, 1893.

Surviving are: his wife, Alice; three sons, Joseph and John of Corning and James of San Diego, Calif.; two brothers, Joseph of Corning and Manuel of Portugal; four sisters, Mrs. Rosa Sousa of Oakland, Calif., Mrs. Virginia Gals, Mrs. Jazurinha Correia and Mrs. Maria Branco, all of Portugal.

For the past 10 years, Mr. Ferreira had been a representative of the H. A. Manning Company of New York Inc., a Schenectady firm which publishes the Corning and Painted Post directory every two years.

Surviving are: two brothers, Raymond and Edward, both of Painted Post; two sisters, Mrs. Edna Rossett and Mrs. Henry Moss, both of Corning, and several nieces and nephews.

Corning — Requiem Mass was celebrated in St. Patrick's Church

Kennelly Funeral Services Held

Hornell — Funeral services for John H. Kennelly of 89 Genesee St. were held March 19, 1953, with a requiem Mass being offered at St. Ann's Church at 9:30 by the Rev. Joseph Smith. Monsignor Lawrence Gannon, V.F., with in the Sanctuary.

Mr. Kennelly was a life long resident of Hornell. He graduated from St. Ann's, Hornell High School and Hornell Business College. He served with the Post Office Department for 51 years, retiring as assistant postmaster in 1951.

A past grand knight of the Knights of Columbus, he was also a fourth degree knight and held memberships in the Holy Name Society and the Hornell Elks.

Surviving him are his wife, the former Frances DeLaney of Elmira; three daughters, Mrs. Norman Cook, Mrs. Rollin Bartell, both of Hornell and Mrs. Alfred Masson of Cortland; a son, John D. Kennelly of Richmond, Va.; a brother, Leo T. Kennelly of Hornell, and eight grandchildren.

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St. Joseph Nuns Mark Patronal Feast Day

The patronal feast of the Sisters of Saint Joseph was solemnly celebrated at Nazareth Motherhouse, Pittsford, on March 19.

A total of 675 Sisters of St. Joseph from all parts of the diocese and more than 100 priests were present at the Pontifical Mass offered by His Excellency, Bishop Casey.

His Excellency, Bishop Kearney presided at the throne and delivered the sermon. He told the assembly that "in gathering on this occasion the sentiment of thanksgiving is prominent in the hearts of all of us"—gratitude to Saint Joseph for the blessings brought by him to the community and gratitude to the Sisters for their work in the diocese.

"But in our program of Catholic life," the Bishop continued, "we can never pause very long to look back upon the past for the challenge of the future and the impressive demands of the present are always upon us."

INTO THAT picture Saint Joseph enters very prominently, he affirmed, first as Patron of the Holy Family, that he will protect and guide us through the days of our life so, as to bring us the consolation at the last hour of having worked always with a strong desire to please our Divine Lord; secondly, as Saint of things that seem impossible, that he will give us courage to face the problems ahead.

THE BISHOP stressed the title "Saint of the Impossible" which is given to Saint Joseph because of the prayer "Holy Mother Church has placed in the Mass for his feast. 'The Sister of Saint Joseph,' he concluded, "can get great inspiration for her work day after day from that prayer—it may seem impossible to me, but Saint Joseph's powerful intercession can accomplish anything."

Bishop Casey was assisted by assistant priest, Monsignor John E. Maney; deacon, Rev. Albert H. Schmack; subdeacon, Rev. William H. Shannon; Chaplains to Bishop Kearney were Monsignor Leslie G. Whalen and Monsignor John T. McCafferty.

More than 200 Sisters sang the proper of the Mass for the Feast of Saint Joseph and the ordinary in polyphony as arranged by the Florio. Father Hamma's arrangement of the Joseph Celestine hymn was sung as Supplement with a strong desire to please our Divine Lord; secondly, as Saint of things that seem impossible, that he will give us courage to face the problems ahead.

Father Gregory told something of the background of monasticism and of the Order of Benedictines in particular with which he is associated.

He said that life at Mt. Saviour concerns 23 monks who spend their time in three activities—prayer, reading and manual work. He told of four members of the order studying in Rome, and one in Washington, D. C. who are preparing to become priests.

PRAYER SERVICES, which include the Gregorian Chant, take from five to six hours a day for the monks, he said. "We care for a herd of 20 milking cows and 15 young stock, as well as doing house work, cooking, care of the dishes and building maintenance," he explained.

Reading, too, takes time, the speaker said, although there are evenings of recreation.

Father Gregory entered the Order of St. Benedict in 1927 at Ft. Augustus Abbey, Scotland. Following early studies there, he began theological studies at Washington, D. C. where he studied from 1931-34.

He was ordained to the priesthood in June 1933 and went to



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