

Fisher Students To Hold Retreat

Students at St. John Fisher College will make their annual retreat beginning on Palm Sunday at 4 p.m. The retreat will continue through March 31.

The retreat master will be the Rev. Russell Pendergast, C.S.B., Ph.D., the spiritual director of the college.

For the first time, evening Mass at the college will be a part of the retreat schedule. In addition to the availability of the retreat master and confessors, students will be able to consult with nine retreat assistants, priests from the college staff, during periods of recollection and quiet.

A Holy Hour will be held on Sunday evening with Very Rev. John F. Murphy, C.S.B., Ph.D., presiding, conducting the service.



Bishop To Mary's Legion

God's Love Seen Lourdes' Message

BY FRANK KELLY

"The message of Lourdes is a double message," Bishop James E. Kearney told members of the Legion of Mary at their annual rededication ceremony on Passion Sunday at St. Margaret Mary's Church, Rochester.

"It is the message of the Divine Compassion of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Affection of the Immaculate Heart of Mary," the Bishop said.

Over 100 members of the Legion of Mary, whose members do work of the 12 apostles, were gathered in the church for the annual ceremony, called an Acies, to hear the Ordinary of the Rochester Diocese.

BISHOP KEARNEY said that there have been many messages attributed to the Apparition of the Blessed Virgin at Lourdes, France. These include the "Acies" for penance by Our Lady, "the

transcendent power of Our Lady before the Throne of God" and "the power of the Rosary, which Our Lady said 'with St. Bernadette'.

"But the message of Lourdes can be summed up into this double message," he said.

"What has gone on at Lourdes during the past 100 years is a result of the divine manifestation of the Sacred Heart. The appearance of the stream of water that has such miraculous healing qualities was part of the plan given to Our Lady by her Divine Son. But the healing done at Lourdes is only partly known. The healing of the body ills we know about, but the miracles of Divine Grace are the ones that count, where people accept their burdens by bowing to the will of God," he added.

"We all know that by praying directly to God, our prayers will be answered, but He has given His Virgin Mother the responsibility for our care. We need no further evidence than Lourdes to show that He chooses to answer His favors through her. This is the second part of the double message of Lourdes.

"You members of the Legion of Mary have chosen Mary to tell you to do the things that she knows that you want to do. She directs His Divine Grace to support your works," the Bishop added.

"It is only when you set out on an aggressive campaign that you realize your own weakness. It is then that Our Lady obtains the graces to help you do your work.

"I feel this year that the Mother of God will shower down upon you special graces obtained from her Divine Son, this being the hundredth anniversary of her apparition at Lourdes. This will help you carry out the program that God has laid out for you.

"It will be through these special graces that you will once again be able to work out your projects this year with your efforts being blessed by the Compassionate Heart of Mary under the Divine Manifestation of the Sacred Heart," the Bishop concluded.

The program included the recitation of the Rosary, the individual act of consecration by each active Legionary, a group recitation by auxiliary members, recitation of the Magnificat and concluded with Benediction of



AN OVERFLOW crowd of more than 1,000 members of the Legion of Mary are shown during Acies exercises held by the Legion at St. Margaret Mary's Church, Irondequoit last Sunday. The exercises are held each year for the Legionnaires to rededicate themselves to the Virgin Queen. Shown above kneeling before a statue of the Immaculate Conception are Vincent Fess, left, and Frances O'Brien.

The Blessed Sacrament and singing of the hymn, "Holy God."

The program was under the direction of Rev. Charles L. McCarthy, spiritual advisor of St. Margaret Mary's Church, Irondequoit. Other presidia are Diocesan in nature.

This represented only the Rochester area groups, the Elmira, Cortland and Lewis counties groups having the same day. Monsignor James Lower, vice chancellor of the Rochester Diocese, was the speaker.

The Rochester group is headed by Margaret Snider, spiritual advisor, Rev. John M. Mork, pastor of St. Ann's Church.

George Switzer Requiem Offered

Requiem High Mass for George L. Switzer was offered in Blessed Sacrament Church Thursday, March 20 after services in Murphy Funeral Home, 533 Oxford St.

Mr. Switzer, 61, national manager of retail sales for Shell Oil Co., until his retirement from active duty about three years ago, died March 15, 1958 in Broward General Hospital, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

The Mass was offered by the Rev. James Crowley, a Franciscan Friar from Wilkesbarre, Pa., and a first cousin of Mr. Switzer assisted by the Rev. Robert M. Egan, deacon and the Rev. Conrad Sundholm, subdeacon. Also in the Sanctuary were Monsignor Thomas F. Connors, Monsignor Leslie G. Whalen and Rev. William T. Nolan.

Mr. Switzer who traveled extensively for the Shell Oil Co. enjoyed the acquaintance of oil industry officials in nearly every part of the country.

Five years ago in Europe, he represented the American point of view in a series of meetings designed to analyze and improve distribution methods for auto fuels and petroleum products.

In 1929 Mr. Switzer served as exalted ruler of Rochester Lodge of Elks, youngest to hold the position, locally and believed youngest in entire order.

He is survived by two sisters, Miss Marie V. Switzer and Mrs. John D. Roche.

Burial was in St. Bonaventure Cemetery, Olean.

WHAT'S NEW In The Parishes

HOLY TRINITY, WEBSTER parishioners are looking forward to their Annual Spring Festival, Thursday, April 10 in the school hall. Members of St. Monica Sodality, the Ladies Catholic Benevolent Association, Holy Name Society, St. Christopher Society and Youth Sodality of Our Lady are cooperating in preparing for a fresh ham dinner and round and square dancing.

ST. MARGARET MARY Altar Society will have its Annual Communion Breakfast, Palm Sunday, March 30. Mrs. Gilbert Fuhrman, honorary chairman; Mrs. Frank Bonsignore, chairman and Mrs. John Plekan, co-chairman are being assisted by Mesdames Lawrence Liberatoro, Emil Stelm, John Greeley and Donald Lambertson on reservations.

ST. ANDREW Mothers' Club will meet in the school, Monday evening, March 31. Guest speaker, Sister M. DePazzi of Catherine McAuley Junior College, will speak on Remedial Reading. Sisters of St. Andrew School faculty will be in the school hall from 8 to 8:30 p.m. to meet the mothers. Plans for a linen show for the nuns will be made and banquet plans discussed. Coffee after the meeting. Jean Werner, chairman.

ST. LUCY Guild of Honor is sponsoring showing of the movie, "King of Kings," produced by Cecil B. DeMille. This portrayal of the life of Christ from birth to death will be shown, Palm Sunday, March 30 at 2 and 7 p.m. in the school hall, 233 Troup St. Public is welcome. Donation will be fifty cents for adults and twenty-five cents for children. The donation is to defray expenses. The Guild members cite viewing of the film as a means of preparing properly for Holy Week.

St. Andrew's Sets Entrance Tests

Entrance examinations for prospective students of St. Andrew's Preparatory Seminary will be given in five cities of the Diocese.

Rochester area students will take their test at the seminary, 1159 Buffalo Rd., Saturday, March 22, at 10 a.m.

Residents of other sections of the Diocese may take the March 22nd test at the seminary or at these cities on Saturday, May 10:

Elmira, at Notre Dame high school.
Geneva, at DeSales high school.
Auburn, at Mt. Carmel high school.

Hornell, at St. Ann's school. Applicants do not have to be pupils of the schools listed. Applicants are to bring a letter of recommendation from their pastor when they come for the entrance test.

ST. JOSEPH, PENFIELD Rosary-Guild's Annual Communion Breakfast will be held Sunday, Linden Road after 7:45 a.m., March 30 at Country House on Mass. The Rev. Robert J. Boyle, S.J. of McQuaid Jesuit High School will be guest speaker. Mrs. Charles Townsend, chairman is being assisted by: Walter Decker, decorations; Frederick Kelly, program; Joseph Traut, publicity and Joseph Englert. All women of the parish are invited to attend and to bring their daughters.

HOLY REDEEMER Sacred Heart and Rosary Society will conduct its annual Card Party, Friday, April 11 at the school hall, Hudson Ave., near Chifford Ave. On committees are: Monsignor Joseph E. Vogt, honorary chairman; Mrs. Peatee Steiger, co-chairman; Mrs. John Yurgenis, chairman; Mrs. James William Smith, William Gunkel, John Kanob, Frank Bergen, ticket committee; Mrs. Yurgenis, Mrs. Joseph Nator, publicity; Mrs. Joseph Mueller, Mrs. Margaret Alfasser, Mrs. Margaret Flanagan, cards; Mesdames Frank Eckert, Edward Wandtke; Mesdames Peter Steiger, Laura Adamski, St. Englert, M. Hogan, Jo Stacy, Lorraine Padushow, Joseph Miller. This party will be held at the school hall, 233 Troup St. Public is welcome. Donation will be fifty cents for adults and twenty-five cents for children. The donation is to defray expenses. The Guild members cite viewing of the film as a means of preparing properly for Holy Week.

ST. ANNE, PALMYRA St. Anne Society will meet in the church hall, Monday, April 6 at 8 p.m. A movie on care of the Altar will be shown. Plans for a bazaar to be held in the fall will be discussed. Mrs. Polly Simpson is refreshment committee chairman with Mrs. Louis Wiseman, co-chairman assisted by Mesdames Anna May Hickey, Alida Gratton, Margaret Bone, and

Margaret Adams, Elizabeth Adams, Irene Webber and Addie Cook.

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ST. BRIDGET Bredda Club will meet Tuesday, April 1 at 8:00 p.m. in the school hall. Speaker will be Rev. William Schiffer, who will show slides on the Holy Land and Egypt. Tickets for the annual Card Party will be distributed. All proceeds from the Card Party will be turned over to the Church for necessary repairs. Tickets may be obtained from Mrs. John V. Bonaville, chairman, Congress 62246 Locust 24918; or Mrs. Edward Runalny, Locust 24102.



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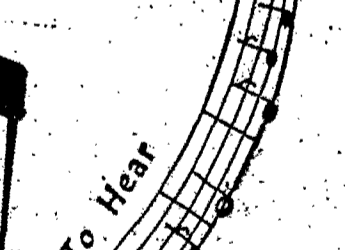
Josephite Father Slated For Guild

Rev. Harry J. Maloney, S.S.J. with 16 years experience as a missionary in the South, will be principal speaker at the Holy Angels Guild meeting, March 31 at 8 p.m. in Hotel Manger.

Arrangements for the Josephite Father's talk were made by Mrs. William Wagner, co-chairman of the Program committee, Father Maloney is now assigned to Immaculate Conception Church, Rochester. He will speak on the missions.

The guild's membership campaign will end the same night when Mrs. Betty Bisler, chairman, will make her report.

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