

City Chemist

Faith, Science Go Together

By FRANK KELLY

The name John A. Temmerman strikes a familiar bell for almost everyone in Rochester because of his position as city chemist.

But, very few people know of his deep conviction as a man of God as well as of science.

Temmerman, a member of St. Anne's Parish, Brighton Park, is a daily communicant (he belongs to the Daily Mass League) and is a member of the Nocturnal Adoration Society.

In addition, Temmerman belongs to the Holy Name Society in three different places—at St. Anne's and with the firemen and policemen groups.

A WORLD WAR I veteran, he has worked for the city ever since he started his higher education at Catholic University in Washington. He was first hired as a skilled laborer while working on his Summer vacations and after graduation joined the city's chemist department.

Temmerman rose from assistant chemist to his present post as city chemist, doing much work that has given the city a top flight name with health officials throughout the world.

In his post as city chemist, John works with many branches of the city government. It is his responsibility to insure the right amount of fluoridation of the city's water, investigate cases involving contaminated foods and also investigating cases involving the danger of specific children's toys.

"IN MY YEARS with the city, I have found many toys that were quite dangerous for children to play with," Temmerman said. "These include toys that contained poison and inflammable toys."

Of course, Temmerman works closely with the fire and police. He investigates suspected arson cases and works in a great variety of police cases.

Among the various things Temmerman is noted for is the discovery of a spray mist for the destruction of the beetle and also the compounding of a chemical for the destruction of marjunaana.

His work takes him on various speaking engagements before groups as well as investigating complaints on various toys and household products.

Temmerman is a graduate of St. Boniface School, the old Cathedral High School and Catholic University where he holds a degree in chemical engineering. He comes from a family of eight children, one of whom, Sister M. Bertrand has been a Dominican Nun for over 30 years. He lives with his wife, Marian, and daughter, Carol, at 86 Castleman Rd.

After finishing work each day, Temmerman makes a slight detour before going home. This is to stop off at St. Anne's to make a visit.

"I believe in beginning and ending each day in church to give homage to God, for it is He Who helps me in my work each day and it is God Who I must thank for any successful work that I might have accomplished that day," Temmerman concluded.



JOHN TEMMERMAN, city chemist, holds a toy, sale of which was stopped in Rochester. The toy, in addition to being inflammable, was found to contain poison in the fluid inside the case. A highly respected chemist, Temmerman is also a daily communicant.

Graduation Set For CCD Workers

Confaternity of Christian Doctrine Workers will share in the recognition given them by Bishop Kearney at a double ceremony. The second annual graduation of Lay Catechists in the Rochester area will be held at the Assumption School on Wednesday, May 14th, at 7:30 p.m. Thirty-five men and women from 18 Rochester parishes have successfully completed the Lay Catechist training course while 40 other fellow students are taking the course over a two-year period.

"PRIMARILY the training course equips lay people to teach religion to Catholic students attending public schools on the elementary school level. To be eligible for teachers' certificates, those enrolled in the Course gave thirty hours to the study of teaching methods and thirty hours to doctrinal study," Rev. Albert H. Schnackey, CCD Diocesan Director said. The doctrine class was taught by Rev. Richard A. Hart, Assistant pastor at the Assumption of Our Lady Church. The method class was conducted by Sister Maureen of the Mission Helpers of the Sacred Heart.

Those receiving certificates next Wednesday are the Messames Thelma Bell, Helen Harris, Katharine Michel, Mary Ellen Smith, Helen Warren, Grace Williams, Moratma Kase, Gladys Kirk, Bernadine Lang, Mary Ann Vary, Josephine Struble, Mary Freeman, Doris Van Lockett, Esther Kirk, Marian Murphy, Theodosia Volsey, Elizabeth Backus, Marian Bartle, Rose Britz and Helen DeRoller.

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Bishop's Tea Will Be Held Tomorrow

His Excellency Bishop Kearney will be honored at the third annual Bishop's Tea of the Rochester Diocesan Council of Catholic Women, to be held in Middle Hall, Nazareth College, on Saturday, May 10, from 2 to 4 p.m. Presidents and officers of approximately 240 parishes and organizations throughout the diocese of Rochester will attend the tea.

MRS. THEODORE STROHMEXER, president of the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women is honorary chairman of the Bishop's Tea. Mrs. Joseph E. Shuler is chairman, and Mrs. Gerald Morley, co-chairman. Members of the committee are Mesdames: Harvie Adams, David Bishop, James Connolly, Michael Cullane, Arthur Ennis, Robert Farrell, William Foley, Maurice Harner, Charles Haight, James Kricknure, James Rams, George Vogt and Richard Wolder.

Religious of Cenacle Take Final Vows

A group of Religious of the Cenacle from several countries made Perpetual Vows at the Roman Cenacle on May 3. Among the new wagers were Margaret Anderson, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Richardson.

Mother Richardson and her early retreatant of the Rochester Cenacle and the first Choir Religious from Rochester to make her final vows in the Congregation of Our Lady of the Retraire in the Vatican.

Eight other Americans were numbered in the group, including Mother Rita Hudlin and Mother Marian Hahn, both of whom were recently stationed at the Rochester house.

Ground Breaking Set For 'Mercy' Church

Ground breaking rites this Sunday, May 11, at 4 p.m. will signalize start of construction for a new church and school, 600 Denise Rd., in the Town of Greece.

Father John S. Whalen, pastor of Our Lady of Mercy Parish, will turn the first spade full of earth for the new parish units scheduled for completion in September.

Afternoon Masses At Two Churches

By FRANK KELLY

The Downtown Rochester Churches are now offering working people the opportunity to hear Mass late in the afternoon on weekdays.

St. Joseph's Church, Franklin Square, started its weekday afternoon Masses last Nov. 1 and St. Mary's Church at Washington PK. continued its afternoon Mass after this past Lenten period.

St. Mary's Church has been drawing an average of over 50 people since the Mass at 5:15 was started on a continuous basis on April 7, according to Msgr. James C. McAniff, V.L., pastor of the church.

"What is remarkable though," Msgr. McAniff said, "is the number of Communions at the Mass. We average about 75 persons."

THE PEOPLE are also given the opportunity to go to Confession starting at 5 p.m. Masses are served by laymen who have offices in the downtown area.

At St. Joseph's Church the Mass starts at 7:25 p.m. and is averaging about 200 people each day over half of whom receive Holy Communion, according to Rev. Fr. Gerald J. Whelan, C.S.S.R., Church pastor.

There the Mass is served by the "Angel Angels," a group of men who work in the downtown area. The faithful are also able to go to Confession prior to and during the Mass.

BOTH MSGR. McAniff and Father Whelan said that they are happy that they are able to give the working people in the Downtown Rochester area the opportunity to attend Mass, where otherwise they might not have the chance to go.

"Actually, most of the people who attend the 5:15 Mass at St. Mary's, find little difference in their arrival times at home," Father L. John Hezges, assistant at St. Mary's said.

"This is due to the traffic congestion at 5 p.m. when thousands of people are trying to get home. When Mass lets out at about 5:45, there is little or no traffic to speak of," Father Hezges added.

Both Msgr. McAniff and Father Whelan expect an increase in Mass attendance this month, the month of Mary.

Fisher Professor Given Fellowship

Rev. Leo J. Munnely, C.S.B., associate professor in history at St. John Fisher College, was awarded one of the 30 fellowships to the fifth Institute on Freedom and Competitive Enterprise to be held at Claremont Men's College, Claremont, Calif.

The institute, which runs from June 15 to June 28 will be devoted to an analysis of freedom as the source of economic and political principles, an analysis of the development and operation of the free market mechanism, and a study of the philosophical bases, characteristics, virtues and defects of the private enterprise system.

Parishioners Add To Fund Total

In a report released yesterday, Rev. Francis J. Reilly, pastor of St. Mary's Church, Horseheads, stated that pledges to date for the new school fund had now reached a total of approximately \$160,000.

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FATHER Jerome F. Schifferli gives Holy Communion to the faithful attending the 5:15 p.m. Mass celebrated daily at St. Mary's Church, Rochester. Attendance at the afternoon Mass has averaged 50 since the church began it on a regular basis April 7, with more than 70 percent receiving Holy Communion.

Nazareth Academy Requiem Offered For Sister M. Joachim

Solemn Requiem Mass for Sister M. Joachim Beirne of the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph was offered at Nazareth Convent, Pittsford, Saturday, May 8.

Sister Joachim, for more than 20 years a teacher in schools of the Nazareth Convent, was pronounced dead May 1, 1958 after a long illness.

The Mass was celebrated by Monsignor Wilfrid Craugh assisted by the Rev. Charles J. McCarthy, deacon and the Rev. Joseph W. Darby, subdeacon.

Mercy Nuns To Attend Convention

Planning to attend the 11th convention of the National Catholic Music Educators Association in Pittsburgh from May 11 to May 15 are Sisters Mary Margaret, Mary Leo and Mary Benedict of the Sisters of Mercy.

Sister Margaret is the head of the Music Department and trains the Glen Club at Mercy while Sister Leo conducts the orchestra and leads instrumental. Sister Benedict is the supervisor of music in the grades for the Mercy order.

The address of Dr. George N. Shuster, president of Hunter College, New York City, will keynote the convention.

Knights Will Hold Nominations May 15

Rochester Catholic Knights of Columbus will hold their annual nominations meeting for council officers on May 15 at 8:30 p.m. in the council parlors, according to Grand Knight Frank J. Thomas.

The nominating committee will present their slate of candidates for approval of the council. Nominations from the floor will then be heard. The goal this year is to have opposing candidates for every office of the council to increase interest in the election and to secure the most qualified member for each position.

Grand Knight Thomas wishes all members of Rochester Council to attend the May 15 meeting.

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