



AMONG 18 LAY CATECHISTS receiving a diploma from the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine in Assumption School of Religion, Fairport from His Excellency Bishop Kearney is William Rich, Jr. A total of 74 active members received emblem pins.

## Bishop Kearney Addresses CCD Graduating Class

An overflow audience witnessed the second annual Lay Catechist graduation ceremony held at the Assumption School of Religion, Fairport, Wednesday evening, May 18. 53 Lay Catechists from 18 Rochester parishes received diplomas and 74 active members of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine in the Assumption Parish, Fairport, received CCD emblem pins in recognition of their achievements in extending the Faith.

In his address Bishop Kearney reminded the Catechists that when teaching religion, the most vital and important thing for the presentation of a lesson is the stimulation of interest. "You have been taught to be an effective teacher and to generate an interest in your pupils in order to hold their attention. Without attention you cannot teach. With the catechism form of question and answer interest cannot be stimulated.

"TEACHERS HAVE a very tender spot in the Heart of Jesus Christ," Bishop Kearney said. "First of all, Christ Himself was a great Teacher. He was a great psychologist. His method of teaching has never been improved upon, because He used the very thing that pedagogy tells us is the most valuable at the present time. When Christ had a difficult subject to present, He always found a story. His parables were stories. He always used a visual object and called attention to the doctrine by building around it a story.

"He challenged first the interest of His people. When He left this world He gave His Apostles the challenge of teaching—Go you therefore and teach all

nations. The first work therefore of any apostle of Our Divine Lord is the work of teaching," the Bishop said.

"Fundamentally, every apostle strives so to teach that the minds of people may be opened to the knowledge of Christ and that the hearts of these people may be opened to the love of Christ and that the wills of people may be opened to the doing of the will of Christ.

"THAT IS your vocation and I say that this apostolate is very dear to the Sacred Heart of Jesus Christ, because it is an apostolate of which He assigned as a supreme responsibility of His Apostles.

"Tonight, therefore, you will receive His blessing during the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament for having taken this specialized course of study to become a certified teacher of religion. Now you are equipped to go out as His missionaries, as His apostles, as His ambassadors, and to fulfill His command: 'As the Father hath sent Me, I also send you. Go you therefore, into the whole world and teach all nations; and behold I am with you always.'"

Present on the stage were Rev. Leonard A. Kelly, pastor; Rev. Albert H. Schmaekel, CCD director; Rev. John P. O'Meara, C.S.B., and Rev. James Embser, C.S.B. of St. John Fisher College; Rev. George Vogt, Rev. Howard Geck, Rev. George Wetmann, Rev. Robert J. Fox. The latter were pastors of the graduating catechists. Also present were Rev. Edward McNeill, Rev. Richard A. Hart and the Sisters, Mission Helpers of the Sacred Heart.

### Forty Hours

Sunday, May 25—St. James, Rochester; St. Patrick, Mt. Morris; St. Hilary, Genoa; St. Dominic, Shortsville.

## WHAT'S NEW In The Parishes

**ST. ANDREW** Holy Name Society after a spirited election, named and installed new officers.

Seated in office were Dennis "Andy" Meritt, president; Paul Walz, vice president; James Gelfell, secretary; Angelo Incavo, treasurer; Xavier DuPlessis, marshal and Herbert Dietrich and Frank Helget, delegates. The Rev. William Amann congratulated William Scabill, outgoing president and staff for the spiritual progress and parish support during the year. An enrollment of nearly 500 men was reported and continued increased membership was urged.

Men of the parish will celebrate Fathers-Sons-Daughters Day, June 15 by receiving Holy Communion at 8 a.m. Mass. A breakfast catered by Chef Joseph Casarone and his Boy Scout Troop Committee will be served in the school cafeteria. Reservations close, June 8. Red Wing team representatives will be guests of honor. Joseph Masucello will furnish musical entertainment.

**ST. ANDREW** Rosary Society Mothers and Daughters Mass and Communion will take place Sunday, May 23. A procession and crowning of the May Queen will follow 8 a.m. Mass. Breakfast in the cafeteria. Gladys Maddock with Ann Seleski and Eleanor Schmitt are in charge of program. They have arranged with the Boy Scout Troop Committee for caterers. Business meeting will take place Tuesday, May 27, 8 a.m. in church recreation room. Monsignor George W. Eick, pastor will discuss The Seal of Confession. Observance of Monsignor Eick's 57th anniversary in the Holy Priesthood will be part of program. Hostesses will be Miriam Holcomb, Agnes Killey and Norma Klein. Plans for annual bus trip will be discussed.

**ST. THEODORE** Ladies Auxiliary, Knights of St. John benefit card party is scheduled Monday, May 25, 8 p.m. in St. Theodore's Social Center. Donation, thirty cents per person; luncheon, fifteen cents extra. Table prizes. Tickets at door. A table prize will be given for each four tickets returned. If playing at home, Committee comprises Mary VerWeire, honorary chairman; Irene Eber, chairman assisted by Margaret Guerriot, Vivian Schult, Loretta VerWeire, Margaret Reber, Louise Schott, Georgiana Stauber. Public is invited.

**SACRED HEART** CATHOLIC Girl Scouts Father-Daughters Communion Breakfast is slated Sunday, May 22 after 8 a.m. Mass in the Cathedral. Donald Robinson, Rochester attorney will be guest speaker. His Excellency, Auxiliary Bishop Casey, will welcome the guests and the Rev. Francis Taylor, girl scout chaplain, will give the invocation. Arrangements were made by Miss Dorothy Sullivan, chairman; Mrs. Michael O'Meara, decorations; Mrs. Leon Miller, program; Mrs. Leonard Gramlich and Mrs. John Meagher, reservations.

**ST. AGNES, AVON** Rosary Society annual banquet was attended by 120 at Avon Inn. Members were welcomed by Mrs. Thomas Coyne, president. Piano selection

was given by Cynthia Ippolito and vocal selections by Mrs. Richard Collins, accompanied by Mrs. John Collins. Father Leo Varston, C.P., a Passionist Father from Dunkirk was principal speaker. He was presented by the Rev. Edward J. Tolster, assistant pastor. Meeting was in charge of bands led by Mrs. William Bruckle and Mrs. Charles Connor.

**MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD** Sacred Heart League will conduct a Fashions' Summer Garden Colorama, Wednesday, May 28 after the business session. The fashion show will present summer fashions made and modeled by various league members covering all age groups. Refreshments. Parishioners are invited.

**ST. AUGUSTINE** Mothers Club annual Silver Tea will be held Sunday, May 25 from 3 to 5 p.m. in the parish hall. Arranging the event are: Mrs. David Seville, chairman; Mrs. Robert Bieber, co-chairman; and these committee heads: Mrs. James Hilbert, program; Mrs. Lawrence Klueber, refreshments; Mrs. Robert Brayer, Mrs. Frederick Boldt, reception; Mrs. Ralph Gargan, publicity.

**CORPUS CHRISTI** Sodality will sponsor a Baked Food Sale, Saturday, May 24 in school hall, starting at 11 a.m. All proceeds will be used for summer school religious instructions.

**ST. JEROME, EAST ROCHESTER** Rosary Society members will receive Holy Communion, 8 a.m. Mass, Sunday, May 25. Hostesses for monthly breakfast in church hall immediately after Mass are: Mesdames Lena Mancusa, Grace O'Grady and Grace Felte. Mrs. Gerard Beauchamp, president will preside at business session and present the Rev. William Charbonneau, assistant director of the Catholic Family Center, Rochester as guest speaker. This will be the final breakfast and business meeting until September.

**ST. JEROME** Home and School Association met May 14 in school auditorium. President Anthony Celestani presided at election. Named to office were: John Faud, president; Mrs. Fred Wilcox, vice president; Mrs. Joseph Redenty, recording secretary; Mrs. Vincent DeMare, corresponding secretary and Mrs. John Pond, treasurer. The St. Joseph statue, patron of the Association, was given to the keeping of Sister M. Concepcion and her first grade pupils until the September meeting.

**OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL** Ladies Auxiliary, Knights of St. John will conduct the annual crowning of the Blessed Mother, Sunday, May 25 in Mt. Carmel Church, Woodward St. at the 11 a.m. Mass. Auxiliary members will see their elected May Queen, Bernadine DeCarlo and her court crown the Blessed Mother. Public is invited.

**OUR MOTHER OF SORROWS** Rosary Society annual installation banquet will take place Tuesday, June 3 at 8:30 p.m. at Ridgecroft Country Club. Rev. John E. Whalen, pastor of Our Lady of Mercy Church will be guest of honor. All women of the parish and friends are invited. Reservations must be made by Tuesday, May 27 by calling Mrs. Jack Sixbe, chairman, CHARLOTTE 2-4554; Mrs. Vincent Malo, CHARLOTTE 2-0866-W; Mrs. James Ring, CHARLOTTE 2-3151 or Mrs. Thomas Tiernan, CHARLOTTE 2-1812. To be installed are: Mrs. James Noble, president; Mrs. James Flanagan, vice president; Mrs. Thomas Bogley, secretary; Mrs. Vincent Malo, treasurer; Mrs. Ralph Walsh, adviser for two years; Mrs. Thomas Tiernan will continue as adviser for one year.

**ANNUNCIATION** parishioners are planning to pay special homage to their Patroness, Sunday, May 25 at 7:30 p.m. Children of the parish with members of Our Lady's Sodality will form a Litany, Rosary. After a procession to the outdoor shrine, the entire congregation will unite in offering the Rosary and in renewing their consecration to Mary. Service will conclude with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

**ST. JOHN'S** Rosary Society, Greece, held its annual banquet at Crescent Beach hotel Wednesday evening, May 21. Rev. George S. Wood was guest speaker.

Over 300 members attended the banquet to honor retiring president Mrs. George Farrell and new president Mrs. Robert Kuder.

Mrs. Farrell presented Rev. Donald E. Lux, pastor, a check of \$750 to be used toward renovation work in the parish convent.

**ST. SALOME** Brocade Troop 178 sponsored by the Mothers Club spent last Saturday at Durand Eastman Park. Girls who have passed their tenderfoot requirements planned, purchased and cooked their own food. Girls were accompanied by leaders, Mrs. Leroy F. Aman and Mrs. Gordon Lang.

**SS. PETER AND PAUL** Holy Name Society parish picnic chairman Frank Mobilio said many prizes were donated for events of all ages. Sunday, May 22 at Genesee Valley Park, J. J. Giannini 5. He is assisted by Edward Lang, George Steger and Tony Lucia. Sports for young and old parishioners are planned. Pentecost Sunday, May 25 will be Communion Sunday for Girls.

**HOLY APOSTLES** Parish will present its annual May Day, May 25. The court consists of Mary Lou Miller, May Queen, Etta Nolla and Edna Szyck, maids of honor; Kay Boland and Joanne Yawman, banner bearers. General chairman is Peggy Boland. May Day crowning will take place in the church at 3 p.m. followed by a Silver Tea at 4 p.m. in the school hall. All are invited.



## Palmyra Church Redecorated

REV. JOHN J. HEALY, administrator of St. Ann Church, Palmyra, stands at the redecorated altar of the church following completion of the work this week. Pews were also refinished and the walls and floors sealed. A statue of St. Ann will be placed above the altar by the feast day, July 26.

## Conesus Lake Chapel Autos To Be Blessed At Annunciation Lot

Blessing of automobiles will take place in Church of the Annunciation parking lot opposite the church on Norton St. Sunday, May 25 according to the Rev. Albert L. Simonetti, pastor.

The traditional blessing in preparation for the vacation and holiday season will be given after all Sunday Masses at 7:30, 8:30, 9:30, 11 and 12 (noon), Father Simonetti said.

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