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After Requiem For Msgr. Brien

NEARLY 1000 persons attended the funeral Mass for Monsignor William J. Brien, V.F. of Elmira. Here the body is reverently borne from St. Patrick Church of which he was pastor. (Story on page 1).

Rose DeSocio Elected By Hospital Auxiliary

Miss Rose DeSocio was elected president by the Women's Auxiliary of St. Joseph Hospital, Elmira, at the annual meeting at Harris Hill, June 4.

About 125 members were guests of the Sisters of St. Joseph in charge of the hospital at a picnic supper, prior to the meeting.

Also elected were: Mrs. Joseph Spiegel, first vice president; Mrs. George Hughes, second vice president; Miss Ann Graham, treasurer; Mrs. Robert Hudle, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Arthur D. Smith, financial secretary. Newly elected board members are: Mrs. O. Lawrence Creighton and Mrs. Robert W. Robinson.

SISTER MARGARET ADELAIDE, hospital superintendent, expressed the Sisters thanks to the auxiliary members.

"Our Holy Father in a recent talk to a group of women," Sister Margaret Adelaide said, "stressed the importance of woman in three apostolates—the apostolate of truth, the apostolate of charity, the apostolate of action."

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Deanery Holds Conference In Watkins Glen

The new Catechetical Center of St. Mary's of the Lake in Watkins Glen was the setting on June 8, for the Spring conference of the Chemung-Schuyler Deanery Council of Catholic Women, sponsored by Rochester Diocesan Council.

APPROXIMATELY 100 women attending heard diocesan committee chairmen outline programs of Catholic action for parish and local Catholic women's organizations affiliated with the Council.

The following chairmen participated: Mrs. Charles Haight, organization and development; Sophie Cudzo, public relations; Mrs. James Conolly, family life and mothers' circles; Mrs. Michael Cuthane and Mrs. Lawrence Wels, spiritual development; Frances Battersby, cooperating with Catholic Charities; Mrs. Lynn Propper, libraries and literature.

REV. BENEDICT EHMANN, pastor of St. Mary's of the Lake Church, and deanery moderator of the Chemung-Schuyler Deanery emphasized the importance of Catholic reading, as opposed to secular reading, in the spiritual and intellectual development of the Catholic mind so that it will be a positive rather than a negative influence in contemporary affairs. "We should try," (Father Ehmman pointed out) "to get away from the 'ghetto-type Catholicism'—to accentuate the things for which we stand rather than the things for which we are against."

Rev. E. Leo McManus, diocesan moderator, was moderator of a panel, "Does All This Theory Really Work?" Panel members were Mrs. Thomas Coyne, Avon; Mrs. John Churey and Mrs. Fred Hartsock, Ithaca, and Mrs. Leo Genecco, Canandaigua.

Mrs. Theodore Strohmeier, diocesan president, presided.

Parish Picnic Set By Mothers' Club
A parish picnic sponsored by the Mothers' Club of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Elmira, will be held Sunday from 1 until 5 p.m. at Sullivan's Monument Park.

Men of the Holy Name Society will supervise and conduct a program of games for the children. Each family will prepare their own lunch.

Cana Couples Pass 100 Mark

Ithaca — A Cana Conference program has been underway in Ithaca in recent months and because of it Cana has a new meaning for many-married couples. They have learned that Cana is a "way of life," not only the name of the town in Galilee where Our Lord instituted Marriage as a Sacrament.

Cana gives couples a Christian view of their marriage; it inspires and encourages them to reach for a spirituality in everyday living which makes life more meaningful according to those in charge.

The Family and Parent Education Committee of Ithaca Council of Catholic Women is sponsoring the Cana Conferences in Ithaca. To take part in Cana, a married couple attends only one evening Conference which consists of three talks, a discussion period and the renewal of marriage vows.

The Program follows:
Talk — Union of Mind and Heart — What each needs as husband and wife,
Talk — God's Plan for Marriage,
Lunch — Couples have an opportunity to meet other couples and talk to each other,
Talk — Your Marriage — Vocation and Sacrament. A Married Couple at Mass
Discussion and Question Period
Renewal of Marriage Vows
Rev. Otto J. Vogt, assistant pastor of the Church of the Im-

Fashion Show At Hospital
Annual Fashion Show sponsored by the Women's Auxiliary of St. Joseph's Hospital, Elmira, will be held on the grounds adjacent to Dunn Memorial on Sunday afternoon June 29 starting at 3 p.m.
Mrs. James F. Steiner is general chairman. Co-chairmen of the ticket committee are: Mrs. O. Lawrence Creighton and Mrs. Arthur D. Smith.

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Graduation Exercises Held At St. James Hospital

Hornell—"The nurse is in partnership with God, the Creator, in caring for human life." His Excellency Bishop Kearney told members of the graduating classes of St. James Mercy Hospital School of Nursing and School of X-Ray Technology Sunday.

Bishop Kearney spoke at exercises at 4 p.m. in St. Ann's Church. He also presented diplomas to 15 graduates of the School of Nursing and two graduates of the School of X-Ray Technology.

"It is especially appropriate that nurses' graduating exercises be held in church because of the spiritual nature of the nursing vocation," Bishop Kearney told the group.

"EACH NURSE knows that the life or death of her patients ultimately depend upon the Will of God. There is almost no vocation so close to the hand of God as this one in which the nurses care for the bodies God has created.

"Among the beautiful titles applied to Christ, one of the best known is the 'Great Healer.' Where, then, could you find a more fitting place to begin your vocation than in His Presence?" the Bishop continued.

As each member of the class was introduced by the Rev. William H. Hickey, chaplain of St. James Mercy Hospital, she slowly approached the sanctuary where the Bishop presented her with a diploma from a gold-draped episcopal throne. The Bishop imparted the Pontifical Blessing to the graduates before they left the sanctuary.

THE GRADUATES, wearing their white uniforms and carrying arm bouquets of red roses were accompanied by Sisters of Mercy, student nurses, members of the nursing staff and students in the procession.

Music for the exercises was by St. Ann's Choir, under direction of Sister Mary Raymond Joseph with Miss Madeline Brohm as organist.

Solemn Benediction was celebrated by Bishop Kearney with the Rev. Joseph P. Haffey, pastor of St. Ignatius Loyola Church as deacon and Father Hickey, as subdeacon. The Rev. Vincent F. Collins, assistant pastor of St. Ann's, was assisting priest. During Benediction, the graduates recited a prayer that they might see Christ in each patient in their care.

In the sanctuary were: the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Lawrence W. Gannon, V.F., Dean of Steuben County; the Rev. Edward J. McAniff, secretary to Bishop Kearney; the Rev. Leo E. Lynch, chaplain of St. James Mercy Hospital; the Rev. Paul Wohlrab, chaplain of St. Mary's Hospital in Rochester; the Rev. John S. Hayes, chaplain of the Veterans' Administration Hospital, Bath; the Rev. Raymond Kenney of St. Andrew's Seminary in Rochester; the Rev. Joseph M. McDonnell, pastor of St. Michael's Church, Newark, and former pastor of St. Ignatius Loyola Church; the Rev. James F. Slattery, assistant pastor of St. Vincent de Paul Church in Coming and the Rev. L. Emmett Davis, pastor of St. Mary's Church, Rexville and St. Joachim's Church, Canisteo.

GRADUATES of the School of Nursing:
Patricia Ann Barnard, Buffalo;



HIS EXCELLENCY Bishop Kearney who gave the commencement address and presented diplomas at graduation of St. James Mercy Hospital School of Nursing, Hornell is shown here with these class members: Miss Marjorie Hogue, Hornell; Miss Joan Marlatt, Jasper; Miss Theresa Fiesina, Hornell and Miss Christine Butto, Canisteo. (Evening Tribune Photo).

Patricia Karleen Brown, Cuba; Christine Carletta Button, Arlene Mona Evans and Joyce Elaine Preston, all of Canisteo; Theresa Ann Fiesina, Rose Marie Hirt, Marjorie Rita Hogue and Mary Louise Serocco, all of Hornell; Donna Trudell Forness, Olean; Patricia Louise Gargan, Rochester;

Mary Catherine McLaughlin, Corning; Joan Marie Marlatt and Gayel Eileen VanFleet, both of Jasper, and Patricia Lee Johnson of Rexville.
Graduates of the School of X-Ray Technology are Jeanne Elaine Geleta and Carol Elizabeth

Hoffman, both of Hornell.
Following graduation ceremonies, a reception for members of the classes, their parents and friends was held on the lawn of St. James Mercy Hospital. Mrs. W. J. McFarland and Miss M. Jane Harrower presided at the punch bowls.

Six Girls Win Essay Contest Prizes At Camp

Six girls of Elmira parishes were judged winners in the Essay Contest sponsored by Camp Villa Maria. Announcement of results was made by Dr. James Mark, president of Camp Villa Maria Executive Board.

Topic of the contest was "Why I Love My Blessed Mother." Credit on camp fees was given to the winners.

Prizes were awarded as follows: 6-7 year group; first, Mary Fralley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry F. Fralley, Upland Drive, Our Lady of Lourdes parish; second, Kathleen James, 202 South Walnut, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert F. James, St. Mary's parish.

In the 8-9 group; first, Margaret Fralley, Upland Drive, also daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry F. Fralley, Our Lady of Lourdes; second, Theresa Rodal, 318 Fayette St., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley J. Rodal, St. Casimir's.

The 10-11 year group winners were: first, Mary Ellen Kane, 361 Roe Ave., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Kane, St. Casimir's; second, Ann Marie Kane, 310 Broadway, daughter of Mrs. Eleanor Kane, St. Mary's.

Saints Letters Brussels — (NC) — Letters of SS. Ignatius Loyola, Francis de Sales and Vincent de Paul are among the documents now on display in a special World's Fair exhibition in the Royal Library here.

Closed Retreat Planned For Girls

Members of the Barat Retreat League who will make a closed retreat at Sacred Heart Academy Convent, 8 Prince St., Rochester June 27 to 29 met Thursday, this week at 312 Lake St., Elmira.

The 20 high school students selected by their pastor or by the chaplain of Notre Dame High School, Elmira were told of retreats and of requirements for membership in the League by the Rev. Bartholomew O'Brien, their spiritual director.

A SPECIAL MEETING in preparation for this same Retreat will be held on Monday, June 16, also at 312 Lake St. at 7:30 p.m. Invited are 30 Elmira women who are registered for this Retreat, which is sponsored by the Lay Women's Retreat Committee.

Twenty-six other women will leave on Friday, June 13 for the Villa of Our Lady of the Rocks, for a Retreat which will close on Sunday, June 15.

The members of the Lay Women's Retreat Committee invite anyone who is interested to attend the meeting on June 16.

Information about Retreat Houses may be obtained from any of the Committee: Mrs. Carl Johnson, 34934; Mrs. William McCarthy, 25470; Mrs. Floyd Nolde, 50077; Misses Genevieve and Adeline Mezur, 2-5776; Miss

Joan Arnold, 20165; Misses Elizabeth and Rose Kingston, 2-3968; Miss Mary E. FitzGerald 2-7197 or 7489.



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