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DIOCESAN NEWS NOTES

**St. Joseph Nuns Schedule Tea**

The Sisters of St. Joseph will be hostesses at a tea at Nazareth College, on Wednesday, Oct. 22, from 3 to 5 p.m., honoring Margaret Foley, secretary, Conference of Catholic Schools of Nursing, St. Louis, Missouri.

Invited to meet Miss Foley are the representatives of Catholic Schools of Nursing of New York State attending the biennial convention of the New York State League for Nursing at the Powers Hotel, Oct. 21 and 22. Miss Foley comes to Rochester as a participant in the convention program.

SHE WILL SPEAK on the future of nursing on a panel at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 21. She is a member of the Committee on Nursing Education, National Catholic Education Association; a board member of the National Catholic Conference on Nursing; and a member of Sigma Theta Tau, Kappa Chapter.

Sister Margaret Mary, chairman, department of nursing, Nazareth College, is chairman of the committee arranging the tea. Pouring at the tea tables will be Sister Rose Angela, dean, Nazareth College; Sister Saint Catherine, dean of studies, Nazareth College; Sister Ann Maurice, director of nursing, St. Joseph's Hospital, Elmira; and Sister M. Florence, associate professor, clinical nursing, Nazareth College.

**Open House At Immaculate**

Open house at which parents became acquainted with the Sisters of St. Joseph, teachers of their children, featured the first fall meeting of the Family Guidance Group of Immaculate Conception Parish, Rochester, Monday evening at the school.

SISTER M. JAMESSETTA, dean of teacher education at Nazareth College spoke on the meaning of Catholic education. She emphasized the close harmony prevailing where home and school work together. Sister Jamesetta was introduced by Monsignor John S. Randall, pastor.

A grocery shopper for the Sisters resulting in 500 pounds of canned goods of vegetables and fruits being donated for the convent was given by the parents.

**Benefit Square Dance Slated**

An old fashioned round and square dance will be held Friday evening, October 10, at Holy Family Parish Hall, for the benefit of a special multiple sclerosis wheel chair fund. Music will be furnished by Mike Arena and his band.

BOB CASSIDY WILL CALL the square dances. Refreshments will be served. The dance will be from 8 through 11 p.m. Holy Family Parish Hall is located on the corner of My and Ames Sts., in the heart of Dutchtown.

**Card Party Will Aid Deaf**

The St. Francis De Sales deaf club and auxiliary will hold a benefit card party in St. Joseph's Hall, Franklin St. on Friday, Oct. 17 at 8 p.m.

The proceeds from the benefit will be used to supply religious articles and books to the Catholic children attending the Rochester School for the Deaf and also to assist the adult deaf in their sports program.

William Turner and Mrs. Mary McNamara are chairmen for the affair. Assisting them are Paul Poterzki, tickets; Charlene Crimmins, prizes; Mrs. Paul Brust, Marie Grillo and Mrs. Arlene Merrill, refreshments. The public is invited.

**Central Verein Set Meetings**

The Catholic Central Union and the National Catholic Women's Union will hold separate meetings in St. Joseph's basement hall, Franklin St., on Thursday, Oct. 16 at 8:15 p.m.

Following a brief business meeting, the members of the women's group will sew for the Missions. All women attending are asked to bring needle and thread. There are no two Mission groups in the women's unit sewing regularly for the Missions.

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**A Check To India's Needy**

FATHER GEORGE S. Wood, diocesan director of the Propagation of the Faith, presents a check to Bishop David Marianayagam of the Diocese of Vellore, Madras State, South India, to help in his work among his 31,000 Catholics. There are more than three million inhabitants in his state and the Bishop describes his flock as the "poorest of the poor," belonging to the low "untouchable caste." The Bishop is on a money raising visit to this country and was in Rochester this week, where he met Father Wood. (Courier Photo by Paul Constable).

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**Mission Sunday  
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**WHAT IS MISSION SUNDAY?**

A Sunday set aside by the Holy Father as a day for Catholics throughout the world to become interested in the Society for the Propagation of the Faith and the missions of the Catholic Church. Mission Sunday is always the second last in October, preceding the feast of Christ the King.

**HOW CAN WE HELP THE MISSIONS?**

We can help the Missions by enrolling in the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, by prayer and by encouraging vocations to a missionary life.

**WHAT IS THE SOCIETY FOR PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH?**

"AN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION AUTHORIZED BY THE CHURCH, to help support the Catholic Missions." The first contributions gathered by this Society in 1822 were sent to Missions in Louisiana and Kentucky. The Propagation of the Faith is established in every diocese in the world.

**WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY A MISSIONARY?**

One who is sent by the Church to preach the Gospel to those who have not yet heard the message of Christ.

**WHERE ARE THE MISSIONARIES WORKING?**

Some work in their own countries and may be called Home Missionaries; others labor in foreign countries, mostly in pagan lands; they are the Foreign Missionaries.

**WHAT IS A MISSIONARY?**

In a general way "Mission" means the united efforts of the Catholic Church (both of the Clergy and the Laity) to convert all men to true Christianity. In particular, "Catholic Missions" are the places where these efforts are being carried out. More particularly, "Catholic Missions" refer to these efforts as they are carried out among pagan and non-Catholic peoples.

**ARE ALL THESE PLACES IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES?**

No. Those in one's own country are called "Home Missions," and those in other countries are called "Foreign Missions."

**WHAT HELP DOES THE SOCIETY GIVE TO MISSIONS?**

Prayers and alms. The more important is prayer.

**HOW ARE THE ALMS DISTRIBUTED TO MISSIONS?**

By an International Committee chosen by the Pope himself. This guarantees the impartiality of the distribution and makes certain that help is given to the missionary who needs it most. All missionaries are poor, but some are poorer than others. It helps missionaries of all nationalities, without exception.

**WHERE DOES THE SOCIETY GET ALMS FOR THE MISSION?**

Alms come from many sources: gifts, legacies, etc., but the chief income of the Society is the annual offering of the members.

**WHAT ARE THESE OFFERINGS?**

Ordinary Membership \$1 annually. Special Membership \$6 per year (may include nine other members, living or deceased). Perpetual Membership \$40 for an individual. Family Perpetual Membership \$100 (limited to mother, father, and their sons and daughters—whether living or deceased). Perpetual memberships may be paid in installments within one year.

**WHAT HAVE YOUR SACRIFICES DONE SO FAR?**

The Society for the Propagation of the Faith with its 100,000 missionaries aids 65 million people throughout the world and maintains:

- 1,200 Hospitals
- 350 Leprosaria
- 45,000 Elementary Schools
- 5,000 High and Superior Schools
- 1,100 Professional and Normal Schools
- 2,000 Orphanages
- 280 Homes for the Aged
- 3,400 Dispensaries

**DO BOTH THE HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS RECEIVE ALMS FROM THE SOCIETY?**

Yes. The Superiors of the Society at Rome, representing the Holy Father, order a division of funds, accruing from membership dues between Home and Foreign Missions.

**HOW DOES THE SOCIETY HELP MISSIONS BY PRAYER?**

It obliges its members to say daily one "Our Father," and "Hail Mary," and also the ejaculation "Saint Francis Xavier, pray for us."

**WHY DOES THE SOCIETY ADOPT THIS PARTICULAR EJACULATION?**

Because Saint Francis Xavier is the great missionary of the modern period. On November 10, 1908, Pope Pius X designated him as Patron of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. Saint Teresa, the Little Flower of Jesus, was made the Patroness of Catholic Missions by Pope Pius XI.

**TO BE A GOOD MEMBER OF THE SOCIETY, IS IT NECESSARY BOTH TO PRAY DAILY FOR THE MISSIONS AND TO GIVE ALMS?**

Yes. In no case is the payment of dues alone sufficient to make a good member. The daily prayer is part of the membership obligation.

**DO MEMBERS GAIN ANY PERSONAL BENEFITS?**

Besides the satisfaction and honor of having a hand in the greatest thing that is going on in the world, the Christianization of manhood, members gain very many precious indulgences, and they share in the 15,000 Masses offered annually for living and deceased benefactors; also they share in the prayers and good works of all the missionary priests, brothers and sisters whom they aid.

**HOW DID THE SOCIETY DECIDE UPON PRAYERS AND ALMS FOR THE MISSIONS?**

At a meeting of fervent French Catholics in the City of Lyons, France, on May 3, 1822, it was decided to adopt a plan for the support of all the Missions in the world, which a pious French girl, Pauline Jaricot by name, had inaugurated among her friends for the support of some foreign missions. This plan was a prayer a day; an alms a month for the Missions.

**MAY DECEASED PERSONS BE ENROLLED?**

They may be enrolled by their friends as Ordinary, Special or Perpetual Members and partake of the spiritual benefits.

**WHERE CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THIS SOCIETY?**

You may write to:  
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