



Prayer Day For Women

A Day of Recollection sponsored by the Sacred Heart Ladies of St. Anthony's parish, Elmira will be held on Sunday with members receiving Holy Communion at the 7:30 a.m. Mass. A Communion breakfast will follow at Mustico's Restaurant. Rev. Paul Brigandi will conduct the services scheduled to start at 2 p.m. in the church. Committee members planning for the day are, from left, Mrs. Raymond E. Pica, society president; Mrs. Harry A. Cieri and Mrs. Peter A. Carozza, co-chairmen.

Cenacle Retreat House Lists Three Prayer Days

Three days of recollection for women of the diocese will be conducted at the Cenacle Retreat House, 693 East Ave., Rochester, in December, as a spiritual preparation for Christmas.

On Saturday, Dec. 13, the group attending will be a general one. On Monday, Dec. 15, the day will be conducted for members of the St. Monica Guild. On both days the exercises will begin at 9:45 a.m. and close at 3:45 p.m. They will be conducted by Rev. John Havas, S.J.

On Sunday, Dec. 14, members of the St. Raphael's Guild for professional women will follow the exercises, also conducted by Father Havas. A special feature of this day will be Holy Mass at 8:30 p.m. Reservations are being made through the retreat house.

Mrs. Richard Weider, HI 5-4017 is taking reservations for St. Monica's Guild.

Stock Show Winner

"Genetato," a Hereford bull owned by Wehle Stock Farm, Scottsville, New York, was judged the grand champion and champion Hereford steer in the open division at the second annual Pennsylvania Livestock Exposition, according to Wes Woodward, chief herdsman of Wehle Stock Farm.

Hospital Help Get Pay Hike

Employees of St. Joseph's Hospital, Elmira received wage and salary increases this month, as a result of a 1958 re-evaluation study.

The local hospital pointed out that the new wage and salary program would not provide an across-the-board increase for hospital employees, but that wage adjustments would vary in amount. Some employees will receive substantial increases, others will receive less and the salaries of some will remain unchanged.

The new pay scale covers nursing personnel, maintenance employees, kitchen and cafeteria employees, laundry and house-keeping personnel technicians and clerical staffs.

Drill Team Lists Hop

Ladies Auxiliary No. 47 Drill team of St. Boniface will conduct a Record Hop Saturday, Nov. 29 at the Knights and Ladies of St. John Club, 385 Andrews St. from 8 to 11:30 p.m.

Novena Started For More Vocations

Montour Falls Seminary students of St. John's Atoneement Seminary, Montour Falls, have begun a novena to the Blessed Virgin this week for an increase in vocations.

The novena, which began Thursday, will end on the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe on Dec. 12.

THE SEMINARIANS FELT that a novena was needed as an effort to counteract the allurements of the world that constantly distract young, potential vocations to the priesthood and brotherhood.

The students at the seminary invite all young men to submit their names to the seminary for remembrance in the novena. They also invite interested young men to ask for more information about the Graymoor Friars, who staff St. John's Atoneement Seminary.

Readers of this paper are asked to join in this novena for vocations by praying privately for this intention.

DIOCESAN NEWS NOTES

Pre-Marriage Course Slated

The Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will sponsor a pre-marriage course for all engaged couples beginning Sunday, Nov. 30 at Blessed Sacrament Church.

THE COURSE WILL be held four consecutive Sundays starting at 3 p.m., according to Rev. Gerald E. Dunn, council moderator. Speakers for the course will be Rev. Conrad J. Sundholm, Dr. Donald D. Hassett and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Barrett. There is no charge for the course. Ample time will be allotted for questions.

Father Shamon Named Speaker

Rev. Albert J. Shamon professor of English at St. Andrew's Seminary, will be the speaker for the First Saturday Luncheon at the Powers Hotel Ballroom, Saturday Dec. 6, at 12:15 p.m. Father Shamon has been the moderator of the luncheon since its beginning 10 years ago. He will speak on the Immaculate Conception.

Mrs. Leo Muehle, the original toastmaster of the First Saturday Luncheon will be the toastmaster for the December meeting. Three Marian Study Club of which Father Shamon is the spiritual moderator will act as hostesses.

THE LUNCHEON A PUBLIC devotion to honor the Blessed Mother, is open to all Catholic women in the city who have received Holy Communion on the First Saturday. The luncheon is sponsored by the Monroe County Council, Rochester Diocesan Council of Catholic Women. Rev. Jos. Reinhart is moderator of the Monroe County Council and Rev. E. Leo McManus is moderator of the diocesan council.

Anyone who has not been contacted and would like to attend should call Mrs. James Hilbert, 146 Normandy Ave., ID 6-8448 before Wednesday, Dec. 3.

Holy Childhood Yule Party

The Holy Childhood School Christmas party will be held Thursday Dec. 4th at the school hall at 8 p.m. Faculty, parents and friends are invited. 50c grab bag gifts will be exchanged. Also food items to replenish the Sister's pantry will be brought to this party.

Entertainment will be furnished by the Liederkranz Men's Choral Group with Violet Gleitman as soloist.

THE COMMITTEE FOR this affair are chairman, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Lank; hospitality, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Seebach, and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Morris; entertainment, William Young and Mrs. Frank Gullio; decorations, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Boss; gifts, Mrs. George Rotter and Mrs. Edmund Kolb; nuns' pantry shower, Mrs. Florentine Richard and refreshments, Mrs. Dieudonne Balleul, Mrs. Frank Stanley and Frank Morabito.

St. Margaret's Guild Meeting

The St. Margaret of Scotland Guild will meet Wednesday at 8 p.m. at the meeting rooms on Ridge Rd. W. The hostesses for the meeting will be Mrs. Toner and Mrs. Conside.

TICKETS MAY be purchased for the Little Gaelic Singers concert which will be held Jan. 12 at the Eastman Theatre. Preparations are under way for the Christmas Party being held at the meeting hall Dec. 20th.

Canas Courses Set In Ithaca

Ithaca—Rev. Otto J. Vogt, assistant pastor of Immaculate Conception Church, Ithaca, will give two talks to married couples on Sunday, Nov. 30 at 7:30 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus home in Ithaca, under the title, "Parent-Child Relationship."

The first talk will be "Understanding our job as parents" and the second will deal with "The

Requiem Mass Said For Sister Syra

Funeral services for Sister M. Syra (Walsh) of the Sisters of Saint Joseph were held Monday, Nov. 24, at Nazareth Motherhouse, Pittsford. Sister died Nov. 22, 1958 at the motherhouse.

Solemn Requiem Mass was celebrated by Rev. George T. McCall, assisted by Rev. Robert M. Egan, deacon, Rev. John J. Hempel, subdeacon, Rev. Albert H. Schneck, master of ceremonies. Also present in the sanctuary were Rt. Rev. Monsignor Louis W. Edelman, and John M. Duffy and Rev. Bruce F. Ammering.

At the grave, the last blessing was given by Rev. Albert H. Schneck, assisted by Rt. Rev. Monsignor Joseph H. Goffel and Rev. Bruce Ammering.

Sister Syra had been a teacher in the diocesan parochial schools for 50 years. She was one of a group of young women who came from Ireland to Nazareth Novitiate in 1899 to enter the Sisters of Saint Joseph.

Her first teaching assignment was in the old Cathedral Grammar School. She taught for a long period in St. Patrick's School, Corning, in Immaculate Conception School, Ithaca and in St. Stephen's School, Geneva, and for shorter periods in St. Lucy's, Immaculate Conception, Our Lady of Perpetual Help and Mother of Sorrows Schools in Rochester. Since her retirement from active teaching, Sister Syra had been living at St. Mary's Convent, Waterloo.

Nuns Attending Convention

Administrators of three Catholic High Schools in the Rochester diocese are attending the 72nd annual convention of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools and Affiliated Associations today and tomorrow, Nov. 28 and 29, at Atlantic City, N.J.

They are Sister Agnes Cecilia, principal, and Sister Annunziata, vice-principal of Nazareth Academy; Sister Rose Alma, principal of St. Agnes High School, and Sister Stella Regina, vice-principal of Mt. Carmel High School, Auburn.

Rev. Lawrence J. McGinley, S.J., president of Fordham University, will give the invocation at the opening of the general session of the Middle States Association. This session will include reports on specialized commissions. At a later session Dr. James Conant, president emeritus, Harvard University, will speak on "The Education of the Academically Talented in Europe and the United States."



Owego — John Tackley, left, received Fire Marshal's hat symbolic of the successful conclusion of Junior Fire Marshal's program at St. Patrick's School. The hat is being presented by Katrina Davis, another pupil of St. Patrick's. Sister James Edward, background, received the official banner, for the school, from J. Edmund Morton, program chairman. (Owego Times-Gazette Photo).

School Receives Fire Banner

By HELEN A. BROSNAN
Owego — St. Patrick's School was awarded an achievement banner in acknowledgment of the school's successful participation in the Junior Fire Marshal's program.

This program, sponsored by the Owego Chamber of Commerce, is in connection with the removal of fire hazards in the homes.

J. Edmund Morton, a member of St. Patrick's parish and a trustee of St. Patrick's church, is chairman of the program. The banner was presented to Sister James Edward, principal of the school.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

Owego — The annual Christmas dinner of Court St. Rose of Lima, Catholic Daughters of America will be held Thursday, Dec. 11, at the American Legion Home, Front St.

The dinner for which Mrs. Mary Alice Fitzpatrick is chairman, will be served at 6:30 p.m. Assisting Mrs. Fitzpatrick in the arrangements are Mesdames Mary Mead, Suzanne Munroe, Dorothy Martin, Margaret Morton and Frances Pistoles.

IN HONOR SOCIETY

Owego — Two former students of St. Patrick's school have been elected to membership in Omega Phi Alpha chapter of the National Honor Society at the Owego Free Academy. They are Patricia Rafals and Anne Scellegger.

In order to qualify for membership seniors must maintain an average of 85 percent, excel in service, character and leadership.

GIFT EXCHANGES

Owego Gifts will be exchanged by members of the secret group of Court St. Rose of Lima, Catholic Daughters of America at the Dec. 2 meeting. The business session will be conducted by Mrs. Alice Ward, grand regent. Refreshments will be served following the meeting by a committee of which Mrs. Margaret Ward is chairman.

Novena Set At St. Joseph's, Rochester

Rev. James Seidel, C.S.S.R., one of the outstanding orators of the redemptorist Fathers, will conduct the Novena in preparation for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception in St. Joseph Church, Franklin St., according to Very Rev. Gerald J. Whelan, C.S.S.R., rector.

The Novena will open Sunday, Nov. 30 at the Holy Hour beginning at 7 p.m. Novena services will continue each day after the 8 a.m. Mass in the morning with novena prayers and a short talk and again at 5:05 p.m. in the afternoon to include Rosary, sermon, Novena prayer and Mass at 5:25 p.m.

Father Seidel is at present a member of the Buffalo Mission Band but has spent nearly all his priestly life in mission and novena pulp appearances.

Bishop To Say Alumnae Mass

Rochester Circle International Federation of Catholic Alumnae First Saturday Mass will be offered by Bishop Kearney in Our Lady of Mercy Convent Chapel, Dec. 6 at 8:30 a.m.

The monthly observance of First Saturday Mass by Rochester Circle was begun Dec. 6, 1947. Bishop Kearney celebrated that Mass in Sacred Heart Cathedral, according to Mrs. William Powers, regent.

Breakfast will be served in Our Lady of Mercy High School cafeteria after Mass. Reservations are being taken by Mrs. W. John Kelly, Hillside 5-3572R and Bernadette Senter, Hopkins 79769 on or before Wednesday, Dec. 3.

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