WHAT'S NEW In The Parishes

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION. Rosary Society Christmas dinner will be held at 7 p.m., Monday, Dec. 15 in the school hall. Mrs. Emmett McGhee is chairman. She is being assisted by Mrs. Raymond Creedon and Mrs. James McWhorter. Miss Eileen McGhee and Miss Betty McWhorter are planning the entertainment. The Rev. George S. Wood, diocesan director, Society for the Propagation of the Faith, will be guest speaker.

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ST. PHILIP NERI. Mothers Club will meet Thursday, Dec. 18 at 8 p.m. in the church hall. After a short business session, a Christmas party will be held. Included in the program is a presentation by members of the Catholic Theatre. Each member is asked to bring a 50 cent gift for the grab bag.

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ST. ANTHONY. Men's Club will conduct an entertainment program, Sunday, Dec. 14 in the new school hall, Coster St. Doors open at 2 p.m. Funds raised will be turned over for the new church.

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ST. THOMAS. Rosary Society Christmas party will be held in conjunction with the meeting in the church hall, Tuesday, Dec. 16 at 8 p.m. Sister Mary Anne of St. Francis of Assisi Convent will show slides and speak on "The Lay Apostolate for Women." Mrs. Charles A. Schwonke is chairman of the Christmas entertainment to be presented by children from Montgomery Neighborhood Center. Refreshments will be served with Mrs. Gerald F. Coursey acting as hostesses chairman. Members are asked to bring a wrapped gift to be given to men at St. Joseph House of Hospitality.

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ST. STANISLAUS. Eighth annual pre-Christmas party of the Holy Name of Mary Society was held at St. Stanislaus Auditorium, Tuesday evening, Dec. 9, after a short business meeting. A reverent approach to the true meaning of Christmas was the motif of the evening's gathering. One of the symbols developed was the Christmas tree. Alongside the fir tree a large sign read: "This tree is a sign of life, for the needle-shaped leaves are ever green. It represents the tree of the Cross on which Christ gained for us the supernatural life of grace. The shiny balls, glittering tinsel, tinkling bells and gifts remind us of the fullness of grace that Christ merited for us upon the Cross. The lights on the tree represent the Christ Child, the Light of the World."

To foster the true spirit of Christmas in Catholic homes, Mrs. Joseph Brach of the Catholic Action Committee distributed leaflets which can be used with spiritual profit by families on Christmas Eve, and lend themselves to dramatization. One leaflet contains a blessing for the Christmas Crib and the other a Christmas Eve program in which the whole family participates. The Catholic Theatre presented "The Sorrowful Star," after luncheon. Members exchanged gifts and made a generous contribution to the Madonna Plan of the National Council of Catholic Women.

During the festivities the Sisters of St. Joseph who staff St. Stanislaus School were presented a full coverage insurance policy on their station wagon, membership in the Automobile Club, 1959 suburban license plates and a $500 check to cover costs of automobile operation during the coming year. Sister M. Waltrude, Superior, in the name of the Sisters of St. Stanislaus fervent expressed gratitude to the members. Each Sister, lay teacher and schoolnurse was presented with a program pencil attached to a lapel spring button.

Another highlight was presentation by the Marianites to Monsignor Joseph A. Bolcerak of a life-size portrait of himself commemorating the 25th anniversary of his pastorate at St. Stanislaus. The painting was by the noted local artist, Stanley J. Gordon. A spiritual bouquet from the members was also given to the Monsignor. Father Chester Klocek, moderator, stressed the importance of proper preparation for Christ's coming which is the true meaning of Christmas. Father Klocek presented a meditation before the luncheon explaining the custom of the breaking and sharing of the unleavened wafer. He explained the unleavened wafer is a symbolic representation of Christ and serves as a reminder that in accepting Christ one must love his neighbor.

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ST. THEODORE. Ladies Auxiliary No. 260, Knights of St. John will have a Tureen Supper and Christmas Party, Monday, Dec. 15 at 6:30 p.m. at the Social Center. A 50 cent gift will be exchanged. Meeting wil be held after supper. Anna Stauber is chairman.

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CORPUS CHRISTI. Confraternity of Christian Mothers will meet Monday, Dec. 15 at 8 p.m. in the church hall preceded by Rosary recitation in the church. This meting will be a Christmas party highlighted by entertainment provided by the Mary Keeber Burbank Singers. All mothers are invited. Gifts will be exchanged and refreshments served.

ST. BRIDGET. The Bredon Club Christmas party was held in the school hall. This party is held annually in honor of the Sisters at St. Bridget's. Each person attending brought a gift and after dinner the gifts were distributed among the Sisters. Christmas party chairman was Mrs. Joseph Fracassi.

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ST. JOSEPH. Rush, Christmas dinner party of the Rosary Society is scheduled Tuesday, Dec. 16 at 6:30 p.m. Guests of honor will be the Rev. George Vogt and the Rev. Robert Miller. Members are asked to bring a canned goods item for the picnic basket, also a donation of money to fill in on odd items needed. Mrs. Delbert Fredmore is chairman assisted by Mesdames Louis Semrau, George Brady, Richard Vollmer and George Hart.

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HOLY APOSTLES. Plans for the Christmas dinner party scheduled Monday, Dec. 15 by the Mothers Club are completed. Mrs. Gordon Hollis is chairman. Mrs. Anna Malevekus, formerly of St. George Church choir, will present a program of Christmas music singing and accompanying herself at the piano. A ham dinner will be served to the members and to guests including priests of the parish, Sisters, lay teachers and school personnel. A Christmas grab bag will close the program. Fifth and sixth grade mothers are arranging the party. Mrs. Martin LoBiondo is co-chairman.

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ST. BONIFACE. First annual Fathers and Daughters Communion breakfast will be conducted by the Holy Name Committee of the St. Boniface Club after the 7:30 a.m. Mass, Sunday, Dec. 14. Sister M. DiPazzi, Dean of Catherine McAuley College conducted by the Sisters of Mercy will speak on "Do I Dare To Be Different." William R. Hall, general chairman is being assisted by William M. Baker, club president and officers and board of directors members. Boys of the Sodality will serve the breakfast under the guidance of Mrs. Charles Koster, Mrs. William Baker and Mrs. William Hall.

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MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD. A Christmas card party, proceeds of which will finance the parish children's Christmas party will be held by the Parents Club in the parish hall, Stenson St. near Lexington Ave. on Saturday, Dec. 13 at 8 p.m. Refreshments will be served. Admission is $1. Sally Cannioto is chairman.

Mary's Legion Holds Reunion

GUEST OF HONOR at the first annual reunion for the Legion of Mary of the Rochester Diocese was Bishop Kearney. The Bishop was presented with a spiritual bouquet by the members. Seated next to the Bishop is Barbara Moore, toastmistress for the event, held Sunday at St. Monica's school hall, Rochester.

ST. ANNE. Fifteen of the 19 girls of Troop 537 made a weekend retreat at the Convent of Our Lady of the Cenacle this weekend. Rev. Frederick Kelly, S.J. of McQuaid Jesuit High School was retreat master. In addition to spiritual benefits derived, the girls fulfilled requirements for the Marian Award. Girl Scouts attending were: Isabelle Burgart, Judy Ennis, Nancy Hughes, Elizabeth Owen, Alice Reise, Dolores Rodman, Jeanne Small, Jean Worthy, Sally Volvano, Barbara and Beverly Voss, Dolores Weinman and Carol Zirnber.

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GOOD SHEPHERD. Henrietta Altar and Rosary Society Christmas tureen supper will be held Monday evening, Dec. 15. Each member is asked to bring a dish to pass. In place of a grab bag gift, each members is asked to contribute 50 cents to be given to the Carmelite Nuns on Jefferson Road to use as they decide for their Christmas. Installation of officers will take place. Newly elected officers are: Mary Bailey, president; Lucille Foos, vice president; Jacqueline Kane, secretary, and Natalie McCormick, treasurer. All members, old and new are invited to the Christmas party.

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ST. JOSEPH. Holy Name and St. Anne Altar Societies have combined to stage a Christmas party, Tuesday, Dec. 16 in the school hall. Joseph Cayea is chairman. Miss Julia Wolf and Anthony Santelli are the two societies' presidents. Entertainment and refreshments. Holy Name Society members will receive Holy Communion at the 7:30 a.m. Mass, Sunday. After the Mass the Rev. Charles Daly, CSSR, director will receive new members and will speak at the breakfast.

Women Install New Officers

Officers of Ladies Auxiliary No. 262, Knights of St. John of Holy Rosary Parish were installed in the school hall with Mrs. Betty Webster, district deputy, as the installing officer.

The staff comprises Monsignor Charles F. Shay, and Rev. James Doyle, spiritual advisors; Loretto Hull, president; Margaret Hull, president; Helen Young and Sylvia Dineen, vice presidents; Hattie Mellinger, recording secretary; Daisy Noll, financial secretary; Gladys Walthers, treasurer; Catherine Flynn, messenger; Alice Reiter, sentinel; Grace Leavens, guard; Barbara Mosfyn, Ann Kunz, Mary Guerin, trustees; Catherine Flynn, district representative.

HOLY TRINITY, Webster. Mrs. Evelyn Gores was elected president of L.C.B.A. Branch 1319 on Dec. 2 after a tureen supper. Also named were: Mrs. Betty Cranston, and Catharine Grundman, vice presidents; Rose M. Kume, recorder; Teresa Vogt, assistant recorder; Mrs. Grace Herbst, treasurer; Mrs. Rose Winslow, financial treasurer; Mrs. Julia Beh, marshall; Mrs. Margaret Smith, guard. Trustees are Mesdames Mary Morse, Genevieve Pellett, Elizabeth Basch, Eleanor Trumble and Miss Theresa Bishoping.

Mrs. Nora Duffy Requiem Mass Said By Son

Funeral Mass for Mrs. Nora C. Duffy was offered by her son, Rev. John F. Duffy, assistant pastor, St. Stephen Church, Geneva, in St. Monica Church, Saturday, Dec. 6.

Bishop James E. Kearney and Auxiliary Bishop Lawrence B. Casey were present at the Mass.

Mrs. Duffy of 31 Bradburn St. died unexpectedly after a stroke, Thursday, Dec. 4, 1958. Funeral was held from Henry D. Halloran Sons Funeral Home, 141 Argyle Blvd.

Father Duffy was assisted in the Solemn Requiem Mass by Monsignor John M. Duffy, deacon; and Monsignor Gerald C. Lambert, subdeacon. Also in the Sanctuary were the Right Reverend Monsignors Edward K. Ball, V.F., John S. Randall and George V. Predmore.

Also attending were the Reverend Fathers Edward J. McAniff, Gerald E. Dunn, Thomas M. Reddington, Thomas C. Kane, Joseph N. Margrett, John J. Leary, E. Leo McMannus, Andrew W. Teuschel, John A. Morgan, John E. McCafferty, Francis M. Feeney, John W. LeVeque, Francis E. Hester, John A. Murphy, Frederick W. Bush, James F. Slattery, Clarence Gardner, Patrick Cleary, M. M., John J. Roach.

Also the Reverend Fathers Albert V. Ryan, William M. Roche, William L. Reed, Orrin W. Feller, Paul Murley, Charles G. Langworthy, Raymond S. Moore, Edward E. Steinkuhmer, Edward J. Foy, William J. Gaynor, Raymond M. Kenny, James F. Collins, Paul Cloonan, James J. Marvin, Richard A. Hart, Raymond P. Nolan, Raymond G. Ringwood.

Bearers were Eugene Leahy, Charles McCarthy, Sam Bruno, Patrick Haggerty, James Connor and John Kimmel.

Mrs. Duffy is survived by her husband, Stephen L. Duffy; one daughter, Mrs. James C. (Margaret Mary) Brady of Pittsburgh, Pa., a graduate of St. Mary's Hospital School of Nursing; two sons, Father Duffy and James G. Duffy of Eden, N. Y., a teacher at Eden High School, five sisters, Elizabeth Connor Ontario Center; Margaret Connor, Rochester; Katherine Connor, Yonkers; Mrs. William F. (Ann) Taylor, Winsted, Conn. and Mrs. Victor Kimmell of Wayland; two brothers John and Aden Connor, both of Ontario Center; six grandchildren.

Mrs. Duffy was a member and past president of the Rosary Society of St. Monica Church. Born in Walworth, she was raised in Ontario Center. She was graduated from Oswego Normal, now Oswego State Teachers College and taught for several years. Mrs. Duffy was a sister-in-law of Monsignor Duffy.

Blessing at the grave in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery was given by Monsignor Duffy. Participating were Monsignor Richard K. Burns and Fathers Nolan, Ringwood, Hart, Marley, Moore, Margrett and Kane.

In Honor Society

Richard J. Zuzzo of 187 W. Second St., Corning, has been inducted into Delta Epsilon Sigma, national honor society of Catholic colleges and universities, at Niagara University.

KC To Fete Children Saturday, Dec. 20th

The annual Christmas Party for children of Rochester Council, Knights of Columbus previously announced for Sunday, Dec. 21 will now be held on Saturday, Dec. 20 at 2 p.m. in Columbus Civic Center auditorium according to Grand Knight Francis J. Thomas.

Roger Smith, chairman and his co-workers Arthur Zornow and Theodore Graney are arranging for Santa Claus and a program including ice cream, cookies and entertainment.

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