Pope Bids For Unity Of Christians

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Monsignor Naughton views altar painting in new church.

New St. Anne's To Open Sunday

A striking seventeen-foot masterpiece of the famed artist Murillo dominates the new St. Anne's Church, Rochester, scheduled to open for services this Sunday.

The painting shows St. Anne instructing her daughter, the Blessed Virgin Mary, as two cherubs bring God's grace and blessing from heaven.

Beneath the painting is the church's white and deep green marble altar.

The 2,200 parishioners of St. Anne's will move from their 80 year old frame church to their just completed, colonial style new church this Sunday, Feb. 1.

The pastor, Rt. Rev. Msgr. William J. Naughton, will celebrate the first Mass in the new church Sunday morning at 5:55 a.m.

He will also be celebrant of a solemn Mass of Thanksgiving honoring the parish patron at 10 a.m.

Masses in the new church will remain as before 5:55, 8, 10, 11:15 and 12:15 every Sunday morning

Total cost of constructing the new edifice is $417,259.48.

It is located at the corner of Mt. Hope Avenue and Brighton Park at the southern tip of the city of Rochester.

The exterior is yellow brick topped by a slender steeple with a gleaming cross at its peak.

The interior radiates from the main altar and its full-color painting.

Botticino and verde alpi marble were used for the altar and the steps leading to it.

Daprato studios of Chicago designed the altar and the painting above it.

The oil painting is a copy of the Murillo masterpiece which hangs in the Prado Museum, Madrid.

SANCTUARY WALLS are sheathed in oak panels and all wood furnishings in the church are also in light, natural finish oak — the sanctuary floor, altar rail, pews, window frames and wainscot. The main vestibule, like the sanctuary, is oak paneled.

Carpeting in the aisles is deep green; vinyl tile in light green covers the floor area under the pews.

Side altars of oak will honor the Sacred Heart of Jesus and

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Art-Carved Diamond Rings, Budget Payments. William S. Thorne, Jeweler 318 Main St. East. — Adv.

Drive Opens To Build Nuns' Infirmary

Bishop Kearney last night launched an appeal for funds toward construction of a proposed $4,500,000 infirmary for the Sisters of St. Joseph of the diocese.

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The Bishop was principal speaker at a kickoff dinner of the Monroe County advanced gifts committee, attended by more than 100 men, in Nazareth College cafeteria.

Solicitation of advanced gifts among relatives, alumnae, parents groups and friends of the Sisters is scheduled to begin today and extend to Feb. 17.

William Mulcahy is committee chairman with J. Robert Murray

William Mulcahy — Gerald Barrett

as vicechairman. Mulcahy announced several substantial pre-solicitation pledges.

Auxiliary Bishop Lawrence B. Casey will address 1,000 members of the general committee at a kickoff rally at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 4, in Nazareth Academy Auditorium, Lake Avenue near Driving Park.

Gerald R. Barrett heads the general committee, with Urban G. Kress and Mrs. Albert B. Lauer as vicechairmen. Group committee heads include Mark H. Tuohey Jr., relatives; Mrs. Lewis J. Boyce, alumnae; Emmet J. O'Neill, parents and guild, and Frank R. Davis, friends.

Parishes in the 11 counties of the diocese other than Monroe where the Sisters of St. Joseph staff parochial schools also are participating in the appeal, with solicitation slated Sunday, Feb. 1, in Corning and Mt. Morris.

Mother M. Helen, mother general of the Sisters' community, this week announced results from two of the parishes which conducted solicitation last Sunday. The Rt. Rev. Msgr. John M. Ball, pastor of St. Rose Church, Lima, reported pledges totaling $12,000, and the Rev. Paul E. Tuite, pastor of Sacred Heart Church, Perkinsville, announced pledges of more than $5,000.

Plans call for erection of a three-story infirmary building adjacent to the Nazareth Motherhouse, 4095 East Ave., Rochester, to accommodate 100 Sister-patients.

Of the more than 300 Sisters of St. Joseph in the diocese, 90 are retired because of age and infirmity. Present infirmary quarters on the top floor of the motherhouse provide for only 26. The remaining 64 are in hospitals, parish convents and other parts of the motherhouse.

Mother Helene pointed out that if the Sister-patients now in the motherhouse can be moved to a new infirmary, 50 more accommodations there will become available for the housing and training of young women preparing to teach in diocesan schools and to work in Catholic social service institutions of the diocese. She said that is why the current drive is termed an "infirmary-novitiate appeal."

Eucharistic Year Opens At North Pole

Cardinal Spellman of New York opened Father Lawrence Ward's Eucharistic Year at his U.S. Air Force North Pole base, Thule, Greenland. The Cardinal was on his ninth Christmas tour to outposts of the armed forces and paid a two-day visit, Dec. 29 and 30, at Thule. He confirmed a class of 33, celebrated Mass, appeared on the base's TV, and personally blessed each airman in the hospital there. Father Ward is a priest of the Rochester Diocese. With him in photo is Carmelite Father Emile A. Verbrugghe also stationed at Thule. (U.S. Air Force Photo)

Sodality Rite To Climax Lourdes Year

Bishop Kearney will sing Pontifical Mass on the feast of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin, Monday, Feb. 2, at 7:45 p.m. in St. Michael's Church, Rochester.

The Mass will mark the solemn closing of the Lourdes centenary year observed in the Rochester Diocese as throughout the world with special rites honoring the 100th anniversary of the apparitions of the Blessed Virgin Mary to St. Bernadette in 1858.

The entire congregation of sodalists at the Monday evening Mass will make the responses as directed by the recent decrees of the Vatican Congregation of Rites.

The Mass will be sung by the sodalists with special numbers by the "Bernadettes," a small group of Nazareth College Glee Club members organized for the Lourdes centennial.

BISHOP KEARNEY will be assisted at the Mass by priest directors of the school and parish sodality organizations in the Diocese.

The Bishop will also preach the sermon and give blessed candles to representatives of each sodality group, a custom he inaugurated six years ago for the observance of the feast popularly called Candlemas Day.

Rev. Edward E. Steinkirchner, diocesan director of parish sodalities, and Rev. Richard T. Torney, diocesan director of school sodalities, have invited all sodalists and friends to attend the Mass.

Holy Communion will be given 15 minutes before the Mass, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

One Church, Council Goal

Vatican City — Pope John XXIII in a dramatic bid to heal the age-old divisions in Christianity announced Sunday his plan to convoke an ecumenical council of the Church.

An ecumenical council — there have been only twenty thus far in the Church's long history — is a meeting of the bishops of the world and top religious experts to discuss and define doctrine and discipline.

For the first time in history, representatives from other Christian churches are expected to get an invitation from the Pope to attend this council.

The announcement by the 77-year-old Pontiff, already hailed as the Pope of Unity because of his keen interest in the problem of reuniting Christianity, came as a surprise to the Cardinals to whom he spoke following Mass in Rome's spacious Church dedicated to St. Paul.

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Efforts to restore unity to Christendom have ended in frustration for over 900 years. Today there are more than 300 sects claiming to present the authentic teachings of Jesus Christ who prayed for unity and predicted there would be "one flock and one shepherd."

No date for the council was made known immediately.

It was believed, however, that it will be at least a year before the necessary arrangements can be made in drawing up agenda for the council's work and preparing for the influx of the cardinals, residential bishops, abbots nullius and others entitled to vote, as well as those invited to come to the council as advisers or observers.

It was also recalled that the last such ecumenical assembly, the Vatican Council, while it adjourned on October 20, 1870 — following the occupation of the capital of the papal states by Italy — was never closed. It could therefore be surmised that the forthcoming council might be a continuation of the unfinished General Council of the Vatican.

The Vatican Council was the 20th such ecumenical council — the first in 325 in Nicaea, in present day Turkey, condemned the Arian heresy and formulated the Nicene Creed.

Decrees on faith and morals issued by ecumenical councils, if confirmed by the Pope, are infallible and binding on Catholics.

At the same time he announced his intention to convene a general council, Pope John revealed he plans to summon a synod for the Diocese of Rome, and that he intends to bring the Latin Rite Code of Canon Law up to date and complete the promulgation of the canon law code for the Oriental Church.

The law for the Latin Rite Church codified under the initiative of St. Pius X was promulgated by Benedict XV in 1917. Codification of the Eastern Rite Church law was begun under Pius XII; the first four parts of the code have been promulgated at intervals during the past decade. The fifth and final part has not yet been published.

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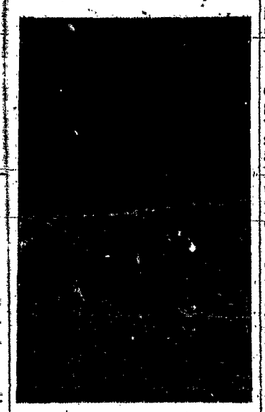

Paratrooper Padre tells his story ... starts in February

FATHER MEYER

Funeral Today For Fr. Meyer, Aurora Pastor

Funeral rites will be held this morning (Friday) for Rev. Ralph J. Meyer in St. Patrick's Church, Aurora.

Bishop Kearney will offer the 10:30 a.m. Mass and impart the final absolution.

Father Meyer, 60, died Tuesday, Jan. 27, 1958, in Mercy Hospital, Auburn, after several weeks' illness.

He has served the Aurora parish and St. Michael's parish in Union Springs for six years and has been a priest for over 34 years.

He was characterized with a quiet, unassuming temperment and won the admiration of the faithful in the parishes he served.

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Frank J. Hoefen, a cousin, will preach the eulogy at Father Meyer's funeral.

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In the Solemn Hours, Flowers are more comforting than words. In the beauty of flowers is confirmation of the faith which sustains all who have suffered loss. Blanchard Florist, 55 Lake Avenue. BA 5-9494. — Adv.

Prelate Installed In Detroit Rite

Auxiliary Bishop Lawrence B. Casey and Rt. Rev. Msgr. James C. McAniff, vicar general, represented the Rochester Diocese at yesterday's ceremony in Detroit where the Most Rev. John F. Dearden was installed as archbishop.

He succeeds the late Cardinal Mooney who was fourth Bishop of Rochester, 1933 to 1937, prior to his assignment as first Archbishop of Detroit.

Guild House Card Party

A dessert-bridge card party will be held in the new St. Elizabeth Guild House, 1475 East Ave., Rochester, Thursday afternoon, Feb. 5, starting at 1 p.m.

Guests are welcome to inspect the House, formerly the Todd mansion, which will serve as a home for 33 young working girls and students.

Bp. Wright Named To Pittsburgh

Bishop John J. Wright of Worchester, Mass., has been named by Pope John XXIII to be new Bishop of Pittsburgh.

The Pope also elevated Maryknoll Superior General Father John W. Comber to the hierarchy with the title of Bishop of Foratiana.

Bishop Wright's brother, Robert G. Wright, is a member of St. Louis parish, Pittsford.

Catholic Press, Sermon Topic For This Sunday

Parishes throughout the Rochester Diocese will mark this Sunday, Feb. 1, as Catholic Press Sunday, according to a letter sent pastors from Bishop Kearney this week.

Sermons will emphasize the need to read Catholic literature —books, magazines, newspapers and pamphlets—in order to develop a well-informed Christian attitude in current events.

The Courier-Journal, official newspaper of the Rochester Diocese, will mark February as Catholic Press Month by conducting a month-long circulation campaign.

This year, it was announced, all 150 parishes of the Diocese will be enrolled in the paper's "total coverage" plan. According to this plan, every family in a parish becomes a subscriber to the Courier-Journal.

Elmer Grapensteter, circulation manager, said subscription totals from each parish will be announced week-by-week as pastors report results of parish campaigns to the Courier-Journal office.

The diocesan paper's present circulation total is over 56,500. Mr. Grapenstteter stated he expects this year's total to reach the 65,000 mark.

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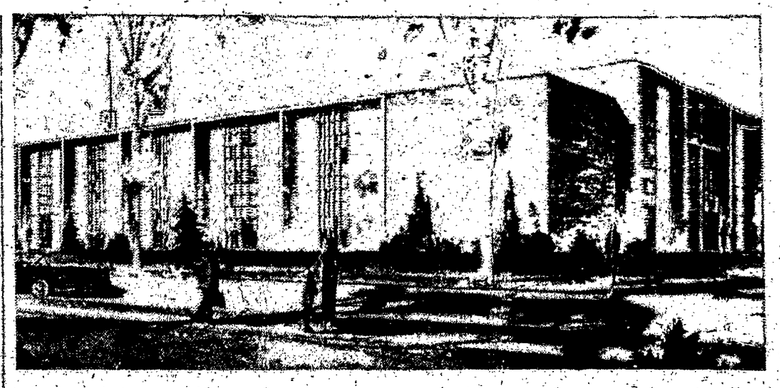
St. Helen's To Build New Parish Church

St. Helen's parish in the growing Town of Gates is going to have a new church, modern in design to match the newly-built homes of this Rochester suburb.

A campaign to raise $175,000 will get under way in February, Rev. J. Beecher Sullivan, founder and pastor of the parish, announced at Masses this past Sunday.

Located on the site of the present wood structure at the intersection of Hinchey Road and Renouf Drive in the Town of Gates, the new church of brick and stone construction will be eighty by one hundred and twenty feet with a seating capacity in excess of 700 persons to meet the needs of the growing parish, the pastor stated.

Under the honorary chairmanship of the pastor and the assistant pastor, Rev. Leo G. Inglis, a campaign committee is being formed with Arthur E. Lang, as general chairman. Arthur Lechleiter is serving as Advisory Committee Chairman.



Artist's sketch of proposed new St. Helen's Church.

An advance gifts solicitation will be conducted Sunday, February 22, by a committee headed by Emmett J. Dailey, assisted by George W. Connor, Thomas Maggio, Patrick Gaffner, George M. Zitzler and Nicholas Long, as group leaders.

General committee division leaders include John C. Briggs, Willard J. Dasch, Edward V. Donlon, Michael Francesco, Harold J. Fromm, Leo J. Herrmann, Lewis E. Higbie, Edward F. Holland, Albert J. Klemmer, Arthur H. Miller, Roy F. Miller, Albert G. Roth, J. Gregory Shortall, George T. White, George F. Wiedemer, and Robert P. Zimmer.

Scheduled events include the advance gifts committee dinner, February 21; advance gifts solicitation, February 22; pep rally, February 26; general kick-off dinner, February 28 and the general solicitation of three-year pledges from 11 parishioners, March 1.