

Priests Mark Twenty Five Years

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He was assistant pastor at St. Paul of the Cross Church, Honeoye Falls, and St. Catherine's Church, Mendon, during the summer months of 1940 and then as a curate at St. Aloisius Church, Auburn, and St. Joseph's Church, Cayuga.

He was appointed pastor of St. Mary's Church, Reville, and St. Joseph's Church, Canisteo, in June of 1954.

He was born in Rochester, N.Y., Nov. 3, 1907, the son of Mrs. Mary and the late Robert Harvey. He attended Immaculate Conception school, Aquinas Institute, St. Andrew's and St. Bernard's seminaries and was ordained by Cardinal Mooney in St. Patrick's Cathedral, June 9, 1934.

Rev. William F. Lammers, pastor, Episcopal Church, Sodus, and Rose of Lima Church, Sodus Point. He celebrated his Jubilee Mass at Epiphany Church, Sunday, May 24. Parishioners of both churches honored him at a silver tea at the Episcopal church Sunday afternoon following the Jubilee Mass.

Father Lammers has spent a major portion of his 25 years in the priestly ministry to the Rochester Diocese. He attended St. Mary's Seminary, Baltimore, Md., where he received his B.A. degree during special seminary studies in languages, particularly German.

His first assignment in the Rochester Diocese was as assistant pastor of St. John the Evangelist Church, Geneva, in 1934, at St. Andrew's Church, Rochester, from 1935 to 1938. Our Lady of Mt. Carmel until 1941, a year at Holy Family Church, Auburn, and then from 1945 to 1956 at Holy Family Church, Rochester.

He was named to the Sodus and Sodus Point churches in 1956.

He was born in New Cleveland, Ohio, Nov. 5, 1909, the son of Joseph and Anna Lammers. He attended public grade school and the Josephinum college and seminary. He was ordained by Columbus Bishop James Hartley in the seminary chapel May 26, 1934.

Rev. Mr. James C. McAniff, P.A., vicar general of the Rochester Diocese and pastor of St. Mary's Church, Rochester. Monsignor McAniff, ordained in Rome, Dec. 5, 1933, marked his Jubilee quietly this past December.

Most of Monsignor McAniff's 25 years as a priest have been spent as a chancery official assisting Bishop Kearney in the administration of the 12-county Diocese. For the past ten years he has served as pastor of downtown Rochester's Old St. Mary's Church in addition to his chancery duties.

Following studies at St. Andrew's and St. Bernard's seminaries, Rochester, Monsignor McAniff completed his theological course at the North American College, Rome, and in advanced studies at the Gregorian University and the Pontifical Institute of Civil and Canon Law won his S.T.D. and J.C.E. degrees.

He was ordained in the Episcopal City by Francis Cardinal Marchetti-Selvaggi and celebrated his first solemn Mass in St. Augustine's Church, Rochester, Sept. 8, 1934.

Monsignor McAniff's diocesan duties include serving as trustee and committee member of the League of the Diocesan Tribunal, vice-president of the Courier Journal's, treasurer of Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, and as an officer or member of the board of directors of other diocesan institutions.

He is a native of Canandaigua, born there Aug. 16, 1908, the son of Mrs. Julia and the late Bernard J. McAniff. He attended St. Augustine school, Rochester, before entering the Rochester seminaries.

Following his studies in Rome, he served in 1938 as assistant pastor at St. Francis Xavier Church, Rochester, and was named vice chancellor of the Diocese on May 1, 1939. He also served as chaplain at Sacred Heart Academy for four years.

Pope Pius XII named him a papal chamberlain Oct. 8, 1947, and Bishop Kearney appointed him chancellor of the Diocese in December of that same year.

In 1949, Monsignor McAniff led a pilgrimage to Rome and other shrines of Europe. Later that year, he succeeded the late Rev. Dr. George F. Kell as pastor of St. Mary's.

He has extensively renovated parish properties and decorated the church making it one of the outstanding religious buildings in New York State.

Pope Pius XII again honored the Rochester priest in 1952 by elevating him to the rank of domestic prelate with the title Rt. Rev. Monsignor.

He received his appointment as vicar general June 29, 1954, and in Feb. 1955 the Holy Father once more singled him out for special Vatican honors, naming him a Protonotary Apostolic granting him the right to wear a bishop's mitre and ring and pontificate at Holy Mass.

Rev. Elmer A. McNamara, professor of Sacred Scripture at St. Bernard's Seminary, Rochester, Father McNamara, ordained in Rome Dec. 5, 1933, marked his Jubilee at the seminary this past December.

Father McNamara's entire career as a priest has been spent at the seminary as a teacher of the inspired Word of God. Hundreds of priests in a score of dioceses have been his students during their seminary days at St. Bernard's.

Courier-Journal readers will recall articles he wrote for the diocesan paper explaining historical details of the life and sufferings of the Saviour and interviews with him to learn the Catholic answer to publicly debated Scripture questions.

Besides his highly Scriptural courses, Father McNamara is recognized authority in the Latin Greek and Hebrew languages.

He was born at Montezuma, N.Y., April 21, 1909, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel F. McNamara. He attended Montezuma public school, Port Byron high school, St. Andrew's and St. Bernard's seminaries. He made his theological studies at the North American College, Rome, and advanced studies at the Gregorian University and the Pontifical Biblical Institute also in Rome.

He was ordained in Rome by Francis Cardinal Marchetti-Selvaggi Dec. 5, 1933 and celebrated his first solemn Mass in St. Michael's Church, Montezuma, July 14, 1935.

Following his special studies in Rome, he was named to the Sacred Scripture department of the St. Bernard's Seminary faculty in 1938.

Rev. Bernard C. Newcomb, pastor, St. Cecilia's Church, Rochester. Jubilee Mass, Sunday, July 5, in the parish church, 12:45-noon. Parish dinner and reception, Eastridge high school, following Mass, 2 p.m.

Father Newcomb, founder and first pastor of St. Cecilia's Church in suburban Rochester, has guided his expanding parish during his 25 years in the priestly office.

He was ordained by Cardinal Mooney in St. Patrick's Cathedral, June 9, 1934. His first assignment was as curate at St. Mary's Church, Canandaigua. He was named assistant pastor at St. Michael's, Geneva, in 1936. Besides parish duties here, he also taught classes at DeSales high school and was appointed principal of St. Joseph's school in 1938. He became pastor of St. Stephen's in Feb. 1953.

Twenty-five years of the jubilarian's priesthood have been spent in close association with DeSales high school, Geneva, fourteen as principal there.

During this time Father Nolan saw the school enrollment grow from a few score students to its present over 300 total. He also was witness to a tragic fire which struck the school, then housed in a frame structure since razed. He supervised construction of a completely new high school unit and a spacious auditorium-gymnasium from 2- to 4-5 p.m. at the parish center.

He is a native of Auburn, born there Dec. 13, 1905, the son of Thomas and Mary Newcomb. He attended St. Aloysius school, Auburn high school, St. John's Seminary, Canandaigua, and St. Bernard's Seminary, Rochester. He was ordained by school, St. Andrew's and St. Bernard's seminaries.

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Rev. J. Joseph O'Connell, pastor, St. Michael's Church, Livonia Center, and St. Mary's Church, Honeoye, Jubilee Mass, Sunday, June 14, at St. Michael's, 10:30 a.m. and Sunday, July 5, at St. Mary's, 11:30 a.m. The choir of St. Michael's Society of the Divine Word Seminary, Canandaigua, will sing at both Masses. A reception will be held following the Masses from 2- to 4-5 p.m. at the parish center.

Thousands of St. Michael's graduates know this ritual as the dynamic chaplain who consoling a generation of teenagers during his more than twelve years at the Lake Ave. school.

Added hundreds remember his energetic role as war-time director of nurse-training schools, sodality director, Cana Conference organizer and founder of the monthly Catholic Youth Holy Hour program.

He also served as a counselor for the Rochester Catholic Youth Organization, organized the Xavier Club for young adults at Holy Cross parish, Rochester, besides filling frequent guest-speaking engagements.

Falling health forced him to give up such a rigorous schedule and he was named to the Livonia Center and Honeoye parishes. During his four years in this assignment, Father O'Connell has established a Catholic center for the religious instruction of Honeoye Central School pupils, acquired a new site and built a new church for St. Mary's parish at Honeoye and renovated and decorated St. Michael's Church at Livonia Center.

Father O'Connell is a native of Lima, born Dec. 26, 1907, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John J. O'Connell. He attended St. Rose school and the Lima Seminary.

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In these calmer times, therefore, outreach of devotion to the Sacred Heart is also a challenge to make our religion not only a creed we believe but a faith we profess with love and reverence to fulfill the Church's prayer: "Jesus, meek and humble of heart, make my heart like unto Thine."

Even on Calvary, at the moment the Church was born, Scripture records the first revelation of the Sacred Heart when a soldier opened the side of the dead Saviour with a lance, pierced the Heart, and there came forth blood and water.

Christ had shed every last drop of His precious Blood for our redemption. "Greater love than this no man hath that he lay down his life for his friends."

This over-powering love of God for men inspired the Apostle to "go into the whole world" and face fire, sword and wild beasts to win souls to the loving yoke of the Saviour. For centuries, this divine love changed barbarians into saints and converted savage nations to a Christian civilization—producing virtues and arts and crafts which are the root of present day progress.

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Into this frozen faith, the Saviour came again, this time in a series of apparitions to a clustered nun—Margaret Mary Alacoque, in her convent at Paray-le-Monial—in France. He showed her in 1673 His Sacred Heart "which has so loved men" and urged her to revive the ancient sense of divine love—a truth never totally forgotten but widely neglected and ignored.

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The devotion, however, divine in its origin was not to be snuffed out by human intrigue. It crossed the borders of France to Spain, into Syria and as far as Peking, China, where the first church was dedicated to the Sacred Heart.

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Rev. Earl M. Tobin, pastor, St. Gabriel's Church, Canandaigua, Jubilee Mass, Monday, June 14, at St. Gabriel's, 8:30 a.m. Reception, Sunday, June 14, at St. Gabriel's, 3:30 p.m.

Father Tobin's parish, Hammondsport, and takes him at this time through the beautiful panoramas of Steuben in the southern part of the Diocese. His parish, for months, however, for highways and the clogged roads. To morning Mass school churches is a challenge jubilarian.

As sole priest in parish, he must protect children in their faith, take care of the parish administration of churches.

He was born in Nov. 10, 1908, the son of Louis and Louise Tobin. Corpus Christi school, Canandaigua, and St. Bernard's Seminary, Rochester. He was ordained by Cardinal Mooney in St. Patrick's Cathedral, June 9, 1934.

Prior to his past assignment in 1957, he was curate in five parishes: St. Patrick's, St. Charles Borromeo, St. Ignace, and St. Joseph.