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THESE FOUR NAZARETH College graduates elected to Kappa Gamma Pi, National Catholic Women's Colleges Honor Society are shown with Bishop Kearney and Rev. Laurence McHugh, S.J., commencement speaker. (from left) Virginia Rohrer, Elmira; Leah Wehlage, Fairport; Elizabeth Ann Boyle and Carol Bieck, Rochester.

158 Graduated In College Rites

A total of 158 young men and women received degrees last weekend from the Rochester Diocese's two Catholic colleges.

Nazareth College graduated 91 at commencement ceremonies held in the campus auditorium on Monday. Rev. Laurence McHugh, S.J., assistant editor of America magazine, was speaker.

The Honorable Kenneth B. Keating addressed the 64 graduates at St. John Fisher College Sunday afternoon.

BISHOP KEARNEY presided at both ceremonies.

Speaking to the young men of Fisher College, Senator Keating, who was present at the college's groundbreaking, said, "this nation was created by men who were willing to risk their lives for concepts of political liberty based upon religious faith."

Senator Keating

"Freedom under God," he said, "remains the foundation stone of our national policy."

"You are equipped with a splendid education," the senator told the graduates, "thanks to your devoted instructors at St. John Fisher College and all the teachers before them.

"You are equipped and fortified with the religious teachings, the moral principles, which your Church and your families have inculcated," he said.

AT NAZARETH College, Father McHugh told the largest graduating class in the school's history, that, "women should take advantage of the emancipation that is offered them today to make the influence of the Gospel felt in the world."

"Granted that women today do enjoy reverence and increasingly important status, do they take advantage of their opportunities?", Father McHugh asked.

"If Catholic women do not take advantage of the opportunities that are offered to them," he stated, they will leave the field open to other women, who will not influence society in accordance with the Christian principles, the ideals of Catholic college women."

Relatives of the graduates participated in the Nazareth College Baccalaureate services at Nazareth Motherhouse chapel last Sunday, at which Bishop Kearney delivered the sermon.

REV. WILLIAM H. SHANNON, college chaplain, was celebrant. He was assisted by Paul T. Murley as deacon and Rev. Joseph Kennedy of Syracuse as subdeacon.

Attendants to the Bishop were Rev. John Murray, S.J., Dean of Men at Fordham and Rev. John O'Grady of Albany, who are relatives of graduates.

Members of the Class of 1934, who this year celebrated their silver jubilee, attended the Mass and were guests of the college at brunch.

The Bishop called on the graduates to go forth as Apostles of the Gospel of the Christ wherever they found themselves. Using the words which Christ spoke to His Apostles, he said "Let not your hearts be troubled; you believe in Me."

The Bishop promised the young women peace in this world and glory in the next, provided they continue to "believe in Christ and in the ideals they had established at Nazareth."

Baccalaureate sermon last Saturday was given at St. John Fisher College by Rt. Rev. Msgr. Charles V. Boyle, superintendent of diocesan schools.

MONSIGNOR BOYLE told the graduates and an audience of over 800 that if an education is to do anything, it should teach a sense of values.

"It should equip the young man starting out in life with the ability to analyze, to weigh carefully, to withhold judgment until all the facts are known," Monsignor Boyle stated.

"It should enable him to steer his own course through life," he continued, "to discriminate clearly between changing mores and unchanging morals. The product of true education can distinguish, quickly and accurately, the shadow from the substance."

HONORS WERE granted two St. John Fisher graduates at the commencement rites. Frank V. DeLaus was graduated magna cum laude with a B.S. in biology and Samuel P. Merlo was graduated summa cum laude with a B.A. in political science.

At Nazareth College, departmental honors were won by the following:

Department of Art: Angela Fina, Magna cum laude; Joan Murray, Magna cum laude.

Department of Biology: Sister M. Joan, S.S.J., Magna cum laude.

Department of Business and Economics: Rosemary Pelitti, cum laude; Mary Ann Stanford, cum laude.

Department of English: Virginia Rohrer, Magna cum laude; Sr. M. Bonaventure, S.S.J., Magna cum laude; Mary Joan Gleason, S.S.J., Magna cum laude; Leah Wehlage, cum laude; Elizabeth Boyle, cum laude; Sheila Tehan, cum laude.

Department of History: Grace Costich, cum laude; Dolores Dawson, cum laude; Gretchen Oster, cum laude.

Department of Music: Judith Boyd, cum laude; Rosalie Leonardo, cum laude.

Department of Nursing: Carol Bieck, Magna cum laude; Gertrude Zientara, cum laude; Margaret Gervais, cum laude; Carol Young, cum laude.

Department of Philosophy: Sr. M. Bonaventure, S.S.J., cum laude; Sr. M. Joan, S.S.J., cum laude. Angela Fina, cum laude; Kenise Murphy, cum laude.

Department of Sacred Theology: Mary Joan Gleason, S.S.J., Magna cum laude; Sr. M. Bonaventure, S.S.J., cum laude; Sheila Tehan, cum laude.

Department of Sociology: Nanette Riester, cum laude.

Father Megivern Says First Mass

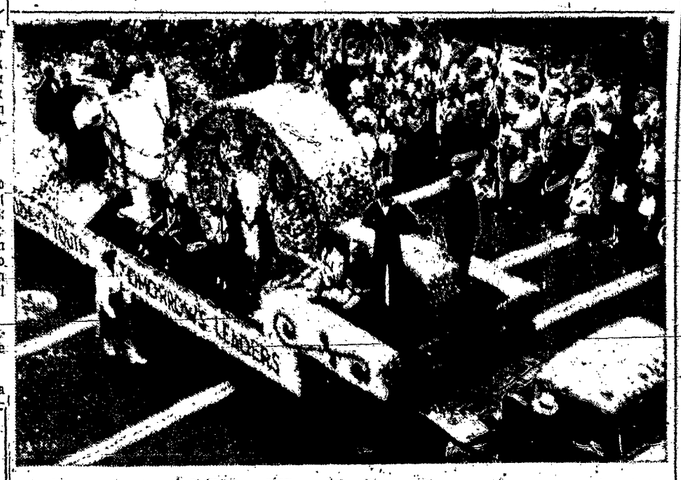
Owego—"A young man does not choose the priesthood. The priesthood, through a call from God, chooses the young man." These were words used in the sermon, delivered at the First Solemn High Mass of Rev. James J. Megivern, C.M. at St. Patrick's Church, Sunday, May 31.

The sermon was given by the Rev. William J. Gromley, C.M., of the Catholic University at Washington.

Father Megivern was ordained May 23 in the chapel of the Queen of all Saints, at Mary Immaculate Seminary, Northampton, Pa. as a member of the Vincentian Fathers.

The Rev. William J. O'Brien, pastor of St. Patrick's Church, was assistant priest at the solemn Mass; the Rev. Richard J. Devine, C.M. a teacher at Niagara University, served as deacon, and the Rev. Joseph P. Marron, Catholic University, was subdeacon.

Paul Megivern, a brother of the celebrant, was master of ceremonies. A group of Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus, Endicott, served as a guard of honor.



CYO Float In Parade

TODAY'S YOUTH — TOMORROW'S LEADERS was the theme of the impressive C.Y.O. float in Rochester's Memorial Day parade. C.Y.O. junior members depicted the organization's day camp, swim and gym program, while the teen age committee represented service groups, law, religious life, business, engineering and nursing. Float committee included Mrs. Edward Carson, Mrs. Helen Smith and Joseph Judge.

Josephite Fr. Wagner To Offer First Mass

First Solemn Mass will be celebrated by Rev. Richard F. Wagner, S.S.J., of the Society of St. Joseph, Sunday, June 14 at 12 noon, in St. Monica's Church.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis G. Wagner, 954 Magnolia St., Father Wagner will be ordained in the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Saturday, June 6 at 8 a.m. by Auxiliary Bishop John M. McNamara of Washington.

FATHER WAGNER

Assisting the young Josephite Father in his first solemn Mass will be Rt. Rev. Msgr. Gerald O. Lambert, Assistant Priest; Rev. James A. Williams, Deacon; Rev. Mr. Charles A. Hall, S.S.J., Subdeacon.

Rev. Harry J. Maloney, S.S.J. will preach the sermon.

THE NEW PRIEST was graduated from St. Monica School and St. Andrew's Seminary, Rochester. He continued studies for the Holy Priesthood at Mary Immaculate Novitiate, Newburgh, N.Y. and St. Joseph's Seminary, Washington, D.C.

To Be Ordained

TWO JESUITS who taught as scholastics at McQuaid Jesuit High School will be ordained to the Holy Priesthood by Cardinal Spellman on June 20 at Fordham University Chapel. Rev. John E. Browning, S.J. (left) of Jersey City taught at McQuaid from 1954 to 1956 and Rev. Ronald W. Sams, S.J. of Buffalo from 1954 to 1956. Father Sams' first Solemn Mass will be in St. Bartholomew Church, Buffalo, Sunday, June 28 at 10:30 a.m.

Monks Featured In Daily News

The New York Daily News in a series of three feature articles retold the story of the Trappist Monks at Pittsford, this week.

Pulitzer Prize winner Philip Santora of the News staff requested and received permission to live with and report on the monks, members of the Order of the Cistercian of the Strict Observance at the Abbey of Our Lady of the Genesee "near Rochester."

Photographs taken within the abbey were made by News photographer John Duprey.

Father Murphy Named Chaplain

Rev. Richard E. Murphy has been named chaplain of the Rochester Squadron, Civil Air Patrol Cadets, the Chancery announced today.

Father Murphy, assistant pastor at St. James Church, Irondequoit, will also serve as spiritual director for the 14 to 18 year old boy and girl cadets who meet at Rochester's Community War Memorial to study aviation subjects under U. S. Civil Air Patrol instructors.

New School Blessed

OUR LADY OF MERCY parochial school, Greece was blessed by Bishop Kearney on Memorial Day. The Bishop is shown above installing a crucifix in the school corridor. Pastor of new parish is Rev. John S. Whalen.

St. Mary's Nurses Hold May Day Crowning

The Children of Mary of St. Mary's Hospital School of Nursing chose Thursday, May 28, the Feast of Corpus Christi, for their annual May Day.

As an act of public devotion to Mary in the Church's Eucharistic Year of 1959, Carol Callahan, prefect of the student nurses' religious organization, crowned the statue of the Blessed Virgin, while the assembled student body presented their class tributes of essays and flowers.

REV. RAYMOND KENNY, director of the Children of Mary, celebrated High Mass in the school auditorium, and the student choir sang the responses.

Following a picnic supper on campus, given by the Sisters of Charity, the student nurses gathered to receive twenty-three new members into the Children of Mary from the Freshman Class and to install officers for the school year 1959-60.

THOSE ELECTED to office were Mary Ann Murphy, Rome, president; Jane Fackelman, Rochester, vice-president; Julie Murray, Endicott, treasurer; Georgine Cullen, Rochester, secretary; Diane Barron, Rochester, alternate secretary; and Margaret Burns, Rochester, alternate treasurer.

Georgine Cullen was general chairman.

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