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Waverly Parish Slates Activities

By HELEN A. BROSNAN

Owego — The opening meeting of the Holy Name Society of St. Patrick's Church, was held in the parish hall last Wednesday evening, Robert Wolcott, president, presided.

Plans were made for the Fall and Winter activities. On Sunday morning, Oct. 4, the members of the Society will serve the Annual Communion breakfast for the members of the Rosary and Altar Society.

PRESIDENT WOLCOTT has appointed Walter Fairlie as general chairman, in charge of the arrangements. Plans were discussed for the serving of a chicken barbecue during the month of October.

Assisting in the plans for the serving of this barbecue, will be representatives of the Catholic Daughters of America and the Rosary and Altar Society.

Wolcott also announced that there will be plans to obtain new members for the Society during the month of October and the new applicants will be received into the Society on regular Communion Sunday, in November, the second Sunday of the month.

New members of the parish, who may wish to appear with members of this church Society may contact any of the members.

Owego — Miss Genevieve Burch, newly elected president of the Rosary and Altar Society, will conduct her first business meeting on Wednesday evening, Oct. 23.

The meeting will be held in the parish hall, following the weekly Miraculous Medal Novena.

The Rev. Michael L. Reagan, moderator, will address the members and will deliver a short welcoming talk on the opening of the meetings, under the direction of new officers.

MRS. FRANK McGovern, program chairman, will discuss the program of meetings for the year and plans to distribute printed booklets containing essential information about each month's meeting.

The annual Communion and breakfast of the Society will be held in the church hall on Sunday, Oct. 4.

Members of the Holy Name Society will prepare and serve the breakfast. Refreshments will be served following the Oct. 23 meeting with Mrs. Robert Chermak and Mrs. William Fitzpatrick, and the members of their Rosary bands in charge.

Owego — The total enrollment of pupils at St. Patrick's School is 245 pupils. Because of unusually large number registered in the third and sixth grades, these two grades will be divided. Mrs. Mary Clare Kittle, the only lay teacher in the school, will have the first grade. Sister Mary Melchiora will teach the second and third grade; Sister Elise, the third and fourth; Sister Avila, the fifth and sixth. Sister Mary Johanna will teac hthe sixth and seventh grades and Sister Mary James Edward will teach the eighth, or graduating class. Sister Mary Johanna will again have charge of the civics club, which club publishes the school paper. Sister Mary James Edward is principal of the school.

Corning Weddings

Corning — Two local Catholic weddings took place last Saturday morning at churches in Corning and Painted Post.

Miss Kathlen Jeanne Benza became the bride at noon of Evar Harold Overstrom in a pretty double ring ceremony in St. Vincent de Paul's Church. The Rev. James Slatterly officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Benza, 182 North Pl., while Mr. Overstrom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer H. Overstrom, 246 Dwight Ave.

MAID OF honor was Miss Mary Ellen Benza, sister of the bride, and best man was Jerome Overstrom, brother of the groom. Bridesmaids were Miss Ann Becraft, Carol Olson and Bonita Overstrom. Ushering at the church were Melvin Hendershot John Allowatt and Lyle Kimball.

Miss Mary Elaine Stirrup, of 410 Victory Hgy., Painted Post, and Donald Harold Turner of 2 Hillview Terrace, Rensselear were united in the holy bonds of matrimony at 11 o'clock, in the Church ofthe Immaculate Heart of Mary. Nuptial Mass was celebrated by the Rev. Nicholas Alletto.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert L. Wheeler Jr. and the groom is the son of Mrs. W. Harold Turner of Yonkers and the late Mr. Turner.

HER SISTER, Patricia, was maid of honor for the bride, who selected Mrs. David Currie and Miss Joan Sheahan of Corning and Miss Carol Turner of Yonkers as bridesmaids.

John W. Gear of Elmira Heights was best man for Mr. Turner. Seating guests at the church were John Stirrup of Brockway, Pa., Stephen Gabitz of Glens Falls and Donald Macgrosso of Elmira.

Florian Shepanske Last Rites Held

Funeral Mass for Florian A. Shepanske was offered by his brother, the Rev. Ladislaus J. Szczepanski, pastor of St. Casimir Church, Elmira in St. Anne Church, Rochester on Monday, Sept. 14.

Mr. Shepanske, 62, a retired employe of New York Central Railroad and World War I veteran died Thursday, Sept. 10, 1959. His home was at 144 Raleigh St.

Assisting Father Szczepanski in the Solemn Requiem Mass were the Rt. Rev. Msgr. William J. Naughton, deacon and the Rev. Elmer Schmidt, subdeacon. Also present were the Reverend Fathers Henry P. Adamski, Robert J. Kanka, Matthew A. Sludara, Chester M. Klocek and John Maloney.

ALSO SURVIVING are his wife, Harriet; a sister, Agatha Shepanske and two other brothers, Louis and Paul Shepanske.

NURSING—a new way of life began this week for these young women students entering the Nurses' Residence of St. James Mercy Hospital School of Nursing, Hornell. From left (bottom to top of steps): Ann Trent, Halifax, Va.; Nancy Mauer, Buffalo; Mary Butler, Rochester; and Sally Vaine, Hornell; greeting students are (at right, top to bottom): Sister M. Claude, Anna Anastasia and Kathleen Lerhner.

St. James Mercy Hospital

27 Women Enter School Of Nursing

Hornell — Twenty-seven students have registered at St. James Mercy Hospital Schools of Nursing and X-ray Technology in Hornell. Faculty members greeted the new students at a reception held at the Nurses' Residence Monday afternoon from 3 to 5. The student council organization planned an evening of fun and entertainment for the new-comers.

MEMBERS of the Freshmen class, School of Nursing include: Nancy Sierzega, Auburn; Jeanne Mowcban, Bath; Nancy Mauer and Bonnie Lou Prior of Buffalo; Deanna Williams, Cameron; Jo Ann Dart, Corning; Mary Ann Norman, Holcomb; Elizabeth Cole, Alberia Dugo, Noreen Fairbank, Linda Nash, Marilyn Querian and Sally Vaine of Hornell; Mary Alice Cronin, Portville; Patricia Boyd, Mary Ann Butler, Linda Codding, Barbara Pauer, Catherine Ruhland Joann Oehlbeck (Junior student) of Rochester; Teresa Consiglio, Tonawanda, Barbara Stannarius, Wayland; and Anna Trent of Halifax, Virginia.

Members of the School of X-Ray include: Barbara Delaney, Yvonne Fangan and Ruth Markel of Hornell and Bonnie Brabant of Jasper. School of X-Ray commenced classes on Sept. 1. The School of Nursing starts a period of orientation on Tuesday.

Priest Explains Work In Panama Missions

Corning—Life in Central America was the theme of a talk by the Rev. Paul C. Loeven, C.M., of this city in a talk before members of Corning Council, Knights of Columbus, last week.

Father Loeven, son of Mrs. Genevieve Looven of 148 W. Fifth St., traced the history of his order back to its founder, St. Vincent de Paul.

Much of the order is engaged in missionary work in all parts of the world. Father Loeven spoke of his life in Panama, ministering to the needs of servicemen, workers, and natives. The Vincentians work from a principal church, however, they may travel for days by car, boat or horseback to minister to the Indians in the interior.

FATHER LOEVEN told of the trips to a leper colony in Panama. The Mercy Sisters of Brooklyn also cooperate in caring for the needs of this same colony. He told the K. of C. members many facts about the climate, diets, habits and dwelling of the people and particularly of the superstitions of the area.

A buffet was served following the talk to 35 Knights and guests.

At a business meeting, Grand Knight James Bothe received committee reports from the Home Association, presented by Dudley McLaughlin.

Chancellor Alfred Connaughton reported on the Communion breakfast to be held at St. Vincent de Paul's Church Sunday with Mass at 8 a.m. followed by breakfast at the Baron Steuben Hotel.

Outing chairman Frank DiLiberto reported that all arrangements have been completed for the "indoor outing" to be held at the K. of C. Home on September 20.

KC Officers Schedule Meet

All Faithful Navigators and Comptrollers of the Fourth Degree, Knights of Columbus of the Fifth New York District will meet at the home of the Master of the District, Raymond L. Nary of 360 Dorchester Road on Sunday, Sept. 30 at 2:30 p.m.

Many items of interest to members of the Fourth Degree will be discussed and plans for the coming season will be made.

Teen-agers Participate In Mission At Hornell

Hornell — A week's Mission for teen-agers, unique in the history of the parish, was held this week in St. Ann's Church.

The spiritual exercise for junior and senior high school students was conducted by the Rev. Marcellus McFarland, C.P., of St. Ann's Passionist Monastery in Scranton.

Services began with a solemn opening procession with the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Lawrence W. Gannon, V.F., carrying the large Mission Crucifix which remained in the sanctuary of the church throughout the week.

THE ORDER of exercises included recitation of the Rosary, a sermon by Father Marcellus and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

A special Mission Mass was celebrated each day during the week at 7:45 a.m. It was followed by a brief instruction.

Father Marcellus based his Sunday night sermon on "The Purpose of Life." The theme of the talk was that the only true measure of success is attainment of eternal salvation.

Monday's sermon was on "Death and Judgment," developing the theme that "the wisest policy with which we can insure ourselves is constant readiness for death."

Tuesday's sermon was on "Mortal Sin — Rebellion Against God, Treason to Jesus Christ and Spiritual Suicide." Other talks included: "Penance — The Tribunal of Infinite Mercy"; "The Beauty of Christian Purity"; "The Passion of Christ — The Supreme Proof of God's Love for Us."

SUBJECTS discussed in the instructions following the Mission Masses included:

The teaching, governing and sanctifying offices of the Church; the necessity and qualities of prayer; the Commandments of justice; the advantages of frequent Communion; loyalty to the Church.

The solemn closing of the Mission will be held Saturday morning. It will include celebration of Mass, reception of Holy Communion and the imparting of the Papal Blessing.

CCD To Hear Dr. Carpenter

Dr. Frederick Carpenter from Pittsfield, Mass., who is a member of the National Lay Committee of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine, will speak at the closing session of the Tenth Regional CCD Congress.

At this final meeting at the K of C Auditorium, on Monday, Oct. 12 at 7:30 p.m., Dr. Carpenter will explain from experience how "A Layman Learns His Religion" from Discussion Clubs.

The public is invited to this meeting. Former, present and future members of Discussion Clubs will learn many valuable techniques from Dr. Carpenter's talk.

Elmira Adults To Be Confirmed

Auxiliary Bishop Casey will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation on a class of adults in the Elmira area on Sunday, Oct. 18 at 4:45 p.m. in St. Patrick's Church.

Any adult who has not received the Sacrament should consult the pastor of his parish to complete arrangements to be the class.

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Knights Announce Plans Honor Thomas Solan

Ithaca — The annual program of the State department of the Knights of Columbus was explained to those present at the testimonial dinner for Thomas E. Solan given by members of Ithaca Council 277 to honor him for his 45 years of service to the Order.

State Deputy Emmett Burke of Yonkers announced that over $100,000 in student loans had been approved by the Charitable and Benevolent Committee to members of families of Knights of Columbus in New York State so that they could further their college education. Also that $7,000 had been given to the State Bishop's funds and $1,000.00 had been sent to the relief fund for the victims of the Chicago school fire. He advised that Solan, was serving as Auxiliary Chairman of the Committee for the Central New York Chapter and also that as much as 70% of the proceeds of the current drive for funds will be kept by the local Council.

HUGH A. Doyle, P.S.D., of New Rochelle, current State chairman of the Decent Literature Committee outlined the plans for this year which include support of the Post Office's drive to clean up the mails.

Doyle, a life-long friend of Solan, acted for members of the local Council and presented a gift of a Daily Missal, blessed by Francis Cardinal Spellman, State Chaplain of the Knights of Columbus.

Supreme Secretary Joseph T. Lamb presented a report of the 45 years of service of Solan and offered the thanks of the Supreme Council, advising that any member of the Order has the same opportunity to serve, with the comment "that a member will only receive from the Knights of Columbus in proportion to what he gives to the Order."

Greetings of Mayor John Ryan of Ithaca were given by Clinton R. Stinson, Grand Knight John E. Barrett acted as Toastmaster.

Other guests included: District Deputies Edward Clauss of Elmira and John M. Herson of Ithaca; Bernard Mulheany of Binghamton Council No. 206; H. T. Tobin of Waverly Council No. 251; Paul Tammaro and Nick Tammaro of Corning Council 281; and John Strong of Elmira Council 229.

To Honor F. Zimmer

A testimonial dinner (or past Chaplain Father Edward Zimmer will be included with the annual dinner for Past Grand Knights of Ithaca Council 277, Knights of Columbus on Thursday, Sept. 24.

DEPUTY GRAND Knight William Seitz, Fraternal Activities Chairman, advises that there will be a Social Hour at the clubrooms from 6 p.m. and that dinner will start promptly at 7 p.m.

A First Degree will follow at 8:30 p.m. for the following candidates: Ernest C. Chatron, Joseph J. Fragnito, James E. Honan, James E. Mann, Rev. Richard E. Murphy and Albert A. Ward Jr. The candidates will also be honored guests at the dinner.

Dinner Dance Set

Activities Chairman Thomas Morrow of Ithaca Council 277, Knights of Columbus has advised that the mixed-social season will start Saturday, Sept. 26, with a Harvest dinner-dance.

The program will start with a social hour at the clubrooms at 6 p.m.; a pass-the-dish supper at 7 p.m. with the Council furnishing the dessert of apple pie with cheese or ice cream and coffee; entertainment from 9 p.m.; and a Round and Squire dance with music by the Country Squares from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m.

RESERVATIONS may be made with the committee or at the clubrooms. Admission for members and guests will be $1.00 a person.

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