

Mission Sunday October 18th

Prayers, Alms To Aid Missions; Diocese Sets All Time Record

Catholics of the Rochester Diocese will offer their prayers and contributions for the Church's far-flung mission program this Sunday, Oct. 18, Mission Sunday.

Pope John XXIII has asked Catholics of the world to join the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, the Vatican's own mission aid organization, often called the Pope's Community Chest.

Bishop Kearney, in a letter read at Masses this past Sunday, asked for an offering of "at least two dollars to help support 150,000 missionaries in the home and foreign missions."

"When you invest in this worthy cause, you are taking a personal interest in the souls of pagans," the Bishop said. "Mission Sunday, therefore, is our opportunity to do for Africa, India, Asia and other sections of the world what France and Spain did for our country years ago."

During the past year, Catholics of the Diocese contributed a total of \$506,511.75 to the Propagation of the Faith Society to set an all time record total for the 33 year old organization.

This figure represented a gain of \$83,073.55 over the previous year's total despite a general drop-off in contributions to the mission program.

The Rochester Diocese averages \$1.05 per the missions from each Catholic, one of the highest averages of U.S. dioceses.

Direct contributions to individual missionaries or mission societies are not included in this report which covers only donations made to the Propagation of the Faith Society.

The record half-million dollar mission fund came through four principal channels — the Mission Sunday collection of 1958 which amounted to \$100,015.22; donations to the Society designated for particular missionary programs, \$97,155.13; stipends for Masses to be said by mission priests, \$56,432.05 and appeals made in parishes by missionaries, \$74,813.25.

Children in parochial schools contributed \$45,988.07 to the Holy Childhood Association, the junior league of the Propagation of the Faith Society.

Rev. George S. Wood, diocesan director of the mission aid organization, said 51 per cent of the funds are used to aid foreign missionaries in Africa, Asia and the Pacific area; 41 per cent, for home missions, and

9 per cent for "Near East" missions — in what world politics calls the "Middle East."

Father Wood said Catholics who enroll as members in the Society for the Propagation of the Faith by using the envelopes given them by their pastors will receive the monthly magazine "Mission" published by Bishop Fulton J. Sheen, national director of the Society.

The magazine carries reports of mission progress and serves as a reminder to pray for the missionaries throughout the year.

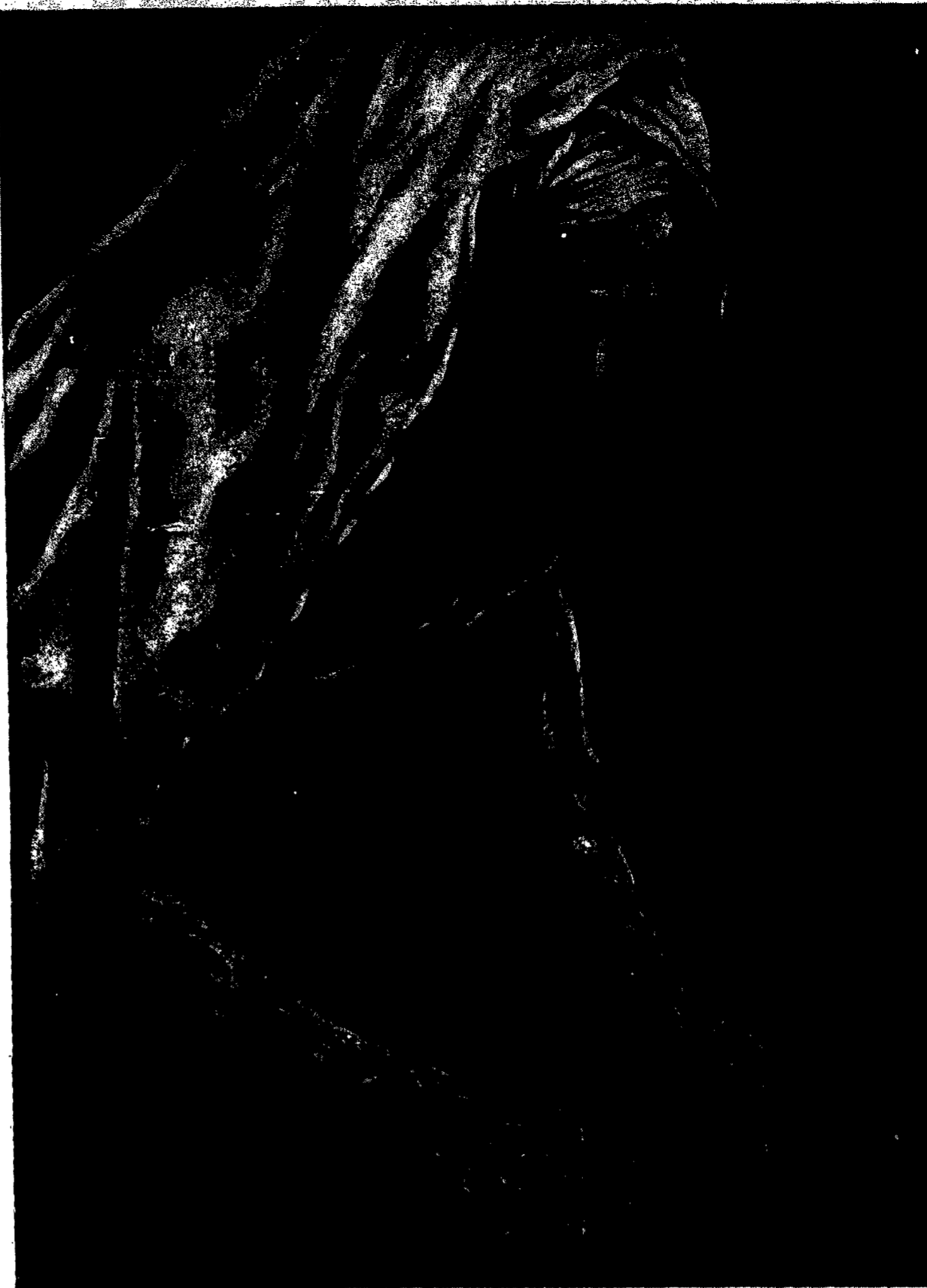
Jungle Takes Bishop's Life After 17 Years

Lima, Peru — (RNS) — American Maryknoll Bishop Thomas J. Dancely, Administrator Apostolic of the Pando Vicariate, a mission area in the Amazon jungle region of northern Bolivia, died here of a heart attack at the age of 45.

His death occurred at the American clinic where he had been brought after suffering a heart attack ten days earlier in his mission headquarters in the "Green Hell" area along the headwaters of the Amazon River. This is where he had labored for 17 years.

It was announced that Bishop Dancely would be buried here after a Solemn Requiem Mass in the Lima Cathedral. This is in accordance with the established custom of interring Maryknoll missionaries in the place where they die. The bishop's home was in Manitowish, Wis.

BISHOP DANCLEY went to Bolivia in 1942 with the pioneer group of Maryknoll missionaries assigned to Latin America. In 1949, he was assigned to head the Pando vicariate and in 1953 he was made Titular Bishop of Bita. This made him the tenth



This woman is 40 years old. Thousands like her in missions wait for your sacrifice.

Thief

In-Need

Puno, Peru — After weeks of begging in hundreds of impoverished villages which dot the Andes Mountains, two Sisters of Charity returned to their orphanage here with 30,000 soles, about \$1,000 American. Madre Maria and Madre Vincenta, their white-winged coronets flapping in the winds blowing across Lake Titicaca, had collected enough money to feed their seventy orphans for six months.

The night of their return, their mud-walled orphanage was robbed by Juan Canuhire, who disappeared with the 30,000 soles. The Sisters wrote it off as the will of God.

Four weeks later, Madre Maria and Madre Vincenta accompanied Father Vincent T. Mallon, Maryknoll Missioner of Brooklyn, to the local jail to help distribute clothing donated by American Catholics for the three hundred half-naked prisoners.

The first man in line was Juan Canuhire who had been apprehended for a later crime in Puno.

On Radio Beam

Faith Scales Mountains

Chicago — A Chicago missionary, who has successfully used a radio school to help stamp out illiteracy near his Bolivian mission, plans to extend his school of the air to include the entire Ayмара area around Lake Titicaca.

A veteran of 12 years as spiritual leader and educator to thousands of Ayмара Indians, Father Bernard F. Ryan, M.M., of Chicago, is now home on a brief furlough from his Bolivian mission.

WHILE HOME, the industrious missionary is checking with various manufacturers of radio equipment in this country to find a receiving set best suited to carry his "school of the air" to Indians living on the Peruvian side of huge Lake Titicaca, located some 12,000 feet high in the towering Andes Mountains. To do this, the Chicago priest estimates he will need an additional 800 single station receiving sets.

Missioners in the Andes have always found it next to impossible to communicate with Aymaras, who have buried themselves in remote mountain villages for centuries. But the Chicago priest came up with an equalizer—radio.

He patterned his radio school after the successful radio schools started by famed Monsignor Joaquin Salcedo in Colombia. Early in 1956, Father Ryan inaugurated his first radiophonic school offering education by airwaves to illiterate Indians scattered across the Andean altiplano of his mission.

The Maryknoll called the station, Radio San Gabriel. Operating from his mission center at Las Penas, the Chicago padre placed radio receivers in 16 Indian villages on a fixed-kilocycle frequency.

There the Indians convene for instructions on religion, health, and agriculture in their native Ayмара tongue and then learn the ABC's of Spanish.

In each of the 16 villages a volunteer teacher, selected by Father Ryan, cares for the radio set, and educational charts. He calls pupils together by holding a flag. Before class begins, the radio voice tells him what charts will be used in that day's lessons.

With the present setup, Father Ryan expects to have 4,000 adult students enrolled in the "school of the air" by the end of the year. If he secures the additional receivers, the number will double and triple in a short time.

At present, Radio San Gabriel goes on the air about a half-hour after sunrise. It stays on until the Andians find their sheep in the evening. Since the Aymaras don't own watches, it is also an accurate "timekeeper."

The Chicago priest has extended Radio San Gabriel to include three hours of music daily, a news service in conjunction with the local Catholic paper, and a variety program especially geared for "shut-ins."

The music program probably makes Father Ryan the most unusual "DJ" in the world. To provide diversified music, the Chicago padre records local Indian bands and singers in each Ayмара hamlet.

Requests for "top tunes" are received by the padre via runners from individual villages seeking to hear the local favorite.

While the initial cost of establishing a transmitter, placing the receivers, and arranging an educational program was a drain on the mission resources, the Maryknoll believes that no other investment has educated so many for so little.

The Chicago priest reports that he and his fellow Maryknollers get their greatest satisfaction when Radio San Gabriel beams in over the airwaves carrying a teacher's instruction: "Now, let's read the second sentence. In the market Rosa buys food." And cultural Aymaran voices in remote villages repeat: "In the market Rosa buys food."

Ordained to the priesthood in June, 1948, Father Ryan left the following month for the missions of South America. While home on furlough, Father Ryan is stationed at St. Thomas More Parish on Chicago's Southside.



Bishop's Appeal For Missions

My dear People,

Mission Sunday, October 18th, is the Sunday set aside by His Holiness, Pope John XXIII, when Catholics of the world are asked to aid his own Mission Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

On that day we are encouraged to help bring the teachings of Christ to one billion, five hundred million pagans in the world. These souls are scattered in seven hundred mission areas under the care of the Holy Father. They can be helped only when you make it possible to send priests and sisters into those lands. You can do this in a very practical way by becoming a member of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, the Pope's Community Chest.

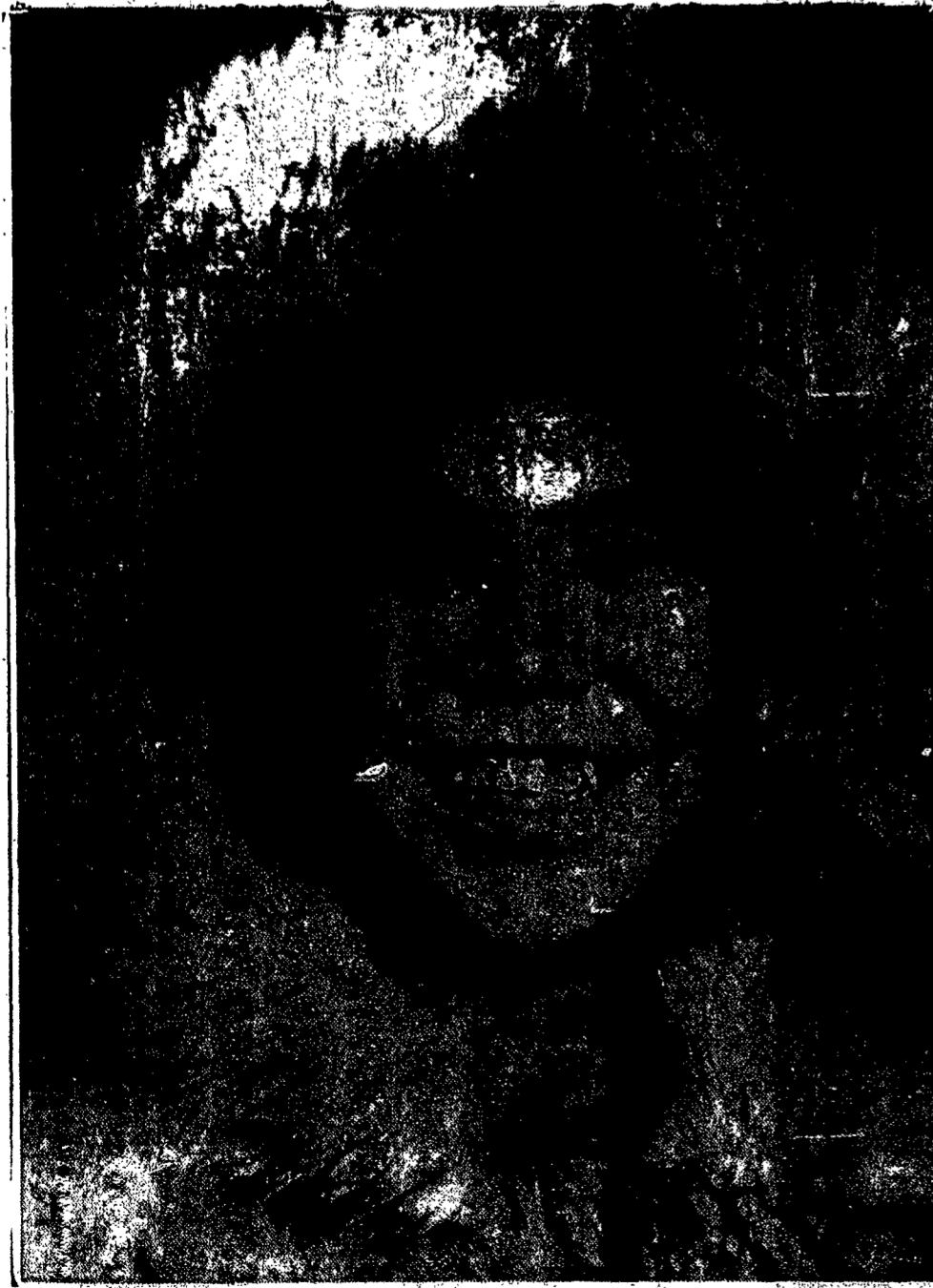
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You have received a Mission Sunday envelope. May I suggest that you return it next Sunday with an offering of at least two dollars to help support 150,000 missionaries in the home and foreign missions?

Thanking you for your continued loyal cooperation and deeply grateful for your zeal in promoting the Missions of the Holy Father, I am

Your devoted Shepherd in Christ,

+ James J. Kearney
Bishop of Rochester.



I'll Have Turkey For Christmas

Typical of the many underprivileged Eskimo children of the North is the far-easted youngster shown above. He is one of the charges of Rochesterian Mary Welch, an American Red Cross worker stationed at Elmendorf Air Base in Anchorage, Alaska. A "free-lance" lay missionary on the side, Miss Welch is engaged in providing homes for poor children. Latest project is to give a happier Christmas to the underprivileged by supplying them with holiday turkeys. Since the winter weather completely isolates many areas of the North, the turkeys will have to be dropped by plane.

Report — Propagation of Faith Society

RECEIPTS		DISBURSEMENTS	
Mission Sunday	\$100,015.22	Foreign Missions	\$ 69,709.06
Wills	19,358.92	Home Missions	25,238.76
Medals	18.00	Catholic Near East	2,088.24
Rosaries	378.00	Rosaries	80.00
Statues	39.00	Statues	20.00
Designated Gifts	97,155.13	Designated Gifts	97,155.13
Mass Stipends	56,432.05	Mass Stipends	56,432.05
Missionary Plan	74,813.25	Missionary Plan	74,813.25
Lepers	9,532.58	Lepers	9,532.58
Missionary Union	320.00	Missionary Union	320.00
Holy Childhood Association	45,988.07	Holy Childhood Association	45,988.07
Miscellaneous Income	411.25	Donations Direct	1.00
		Office and Promotion Expenses	22,381.32
TOTAL	\$404,212.47	TOTAL	\$404,212.47

*RECEIPTS: Mission Sunday receipts include Ordinary Memberships, \$33,919.00; Special Memberships, \$13,352.00; Perpetual Memberships \$7,163.00; Collections, \$23,047.67; Donations, \$16,611.55.