

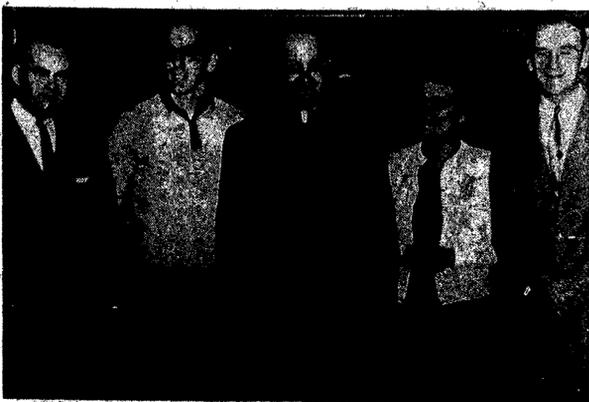
Jesuit Author Visits Waverly

The Rev. John A. Havas, S.J., will publish his story in a book entitled "4996" which was his prison number in China.

Father Havas spoke to Waverly senior high school students Monday morning and addressed the junior high students in the afternoon. On Thursday morning, he addressed an assembly at the Waverly senior high school.

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IN CHARGE OF arrangements of the official opening of the new parish hall of St. Margaret Mary Church, Apalachin, on Friday, Nov. 27 were: (left to right) John Megivern, Sr., trustee; Kenneth Brinkman, Apalachin; the Rev. Valentine Jankowiak, pastor; Mrs. James McManus, co-chairman; and Joseph Valabek, trustee. (Tubbs Photo)

New Parish Hall Opened

By HELEN M. BROUGHTON

Apalachin—Completion of the church hall renovation was celebrated by St. Margaret Mary's parish, Apalachin, by an Open House held Thanksgiving Eve. Guests were greeted by the pastor, the Rev. Valentine A. Jankowiak.

Entertainment was provided by the Glee Club of St. Patrick's Church, Oswego, and music was furnished for dancing. Refreshments were served during the evening.

Arrangements were in charge of the officers of the newly formed Ladies' Guild and the Men's Club.

ALTERATIONS TO the church basement were started.

In August to provide a church hall. The basement floor was lowered three feet by digging and removing the existing dirt floor. To give support to the church floor, a new rafter and eight new pillars and bases were added.

Basement walls were reinforced. A concrete floor and soundproof ceiling were installed. Walls and ceiling were plastered. New recessed fluorescent lights contribute to the modern decor.

The existing furnace was not adequate so the latest design in a dual control heating was installed. New stairways leading from the main floor to the basement were placed at the front and rear of the new hall. A st. room and cloakroom were

also provided, and space has been allowed for a new kitchen which will be furnished soon.

WITH THE exception of plastering, all labor for the renovation was furnished by the men of the parish. To pay for material used, parishioners have pledged one dollar a week for twenty-five weeks.

St. Margaret Mary's was formed in 1956 as a mission of St. Patrick's, Oswego. In June, 1959, it became a full-fledged parish of the Rochester Diocese and now has about 200 families.

Forty Hours
Friday, Dec. 4 — Franciscan Fathers, Watkins Glen.

Born in Budapest, Hungary, he was one of a large family, some of whom died early in life. His father was killed during the war, his brother died during the revolt and his mother was fatally injured in the bombings.

FATHER HAVAS was ordained in Shanghai and appointed assistant to Bishop Walsh. He was given 37 missions and was student councilor at Aurora Catholic University.

Later, he became a Jesuit and when a call came for mission volunteers, he was one of six out of 50 to be chosen and sent to China.

He is most fluent in Chinese, German, French, Latin, Hungarian and English.

During the war in China, Father Havas went into hiding with two French priests. After being betrayed openly by one of his chief students, he was thrown into a Communist prison.

DURING THE horror filled years of brutality, starvation and illness, Father Havas lost 100 pounds. To keep his mind alert in solitary confinement while others were killing themselves, he would find a problem and solve it.

On the Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, when she revealed herself at Fatima, was released into Hong Kong.

At Mocca, a Portuguese Island, he asked to be allowed to set up a mission at Formosa, but he was sent instead to Canada and later became a teacher of French and German at McQuaid Jesuit High School for boys in Rochester. He has been there for the past two years and is now on the mission bands of the New York Province.

WITH THE HELP of Mrs. Aynn Schuhart of Rochester, a cousin of the Rev. G. Stuart Hogan, pastor of St. James Church, Waverly, Father Havas

Nun, 89, Honored At Oswego Rite

High tribute was paid to Sister M. Cassiana by members of the clergy, the superior of her order and parishioners of St. Paul's Church, Oswego, on the occasion of the observance of her golden jubilee at St. Paul's Convent.

Sister Cassiana 89, has been a nun for more than 70 years. She is a sister of Mrs. Bridget O'Grady of Ridgeway Ave., Rochester, formerly of Lima.

climax of the program in St. Paul's auditorium was the presentation to Sister Cassiana of a 1959 Plymouth Sedan for the use of the sisters. It was purchased through the contribution of parishioners and friends of the beloved guest of honor.

After the opening prayer by the Most Rev. David F. Cunningham, Auxiliary Bishop of Syracuse, Charles E. Riley, former superintendent of schools, who presided pointed out that it is remarkable for anyone to remain on the same "job" for 50 years, but it was more so in the case of a Sister of St. Joseph. He read St. Francis Assisi's prayer for peace and said it applied perfectly to Sister Cassiana.

The Rt. Rev. Msgr. James E. Callaghan, diocesan superintendent of schools, declared that through her years Sister Cassiana has been a "jewel of great price." To the people of St. Paul's she has brought warmth and the human touch. He compared her with St. Theresa, the Little Flower. "May the Good Lord, His mother and the Holy Spirit leave her with us for many years to come."



SISTER CASSIANA

ation of the parish for the excellent teachers sent here.

Mother Helene said that to serve God 50 years in any place is a privilege, but it was a singularly blessed privilege for Sister Cassiana to have served at St. Paul's. "Here is a story of faith and hope and love," said Mother Helene. She thanked the parish for the love and kindness shown the Sister through the past half-century. "In honoring her you are honoring all of us."

Corning KC Launches Drive

Corning — A major membership drive by Corning Council, Knights of Columbus, is now in the planning stage with a meeting to be called in the near future to launch the campaign.

In the meantime they announced their December calendar:

- Dec. 6, 8:30 a.m., Corporate Communion at St. Patrick's Church and at 9:30, breakfast at the Baron Steuben Hotel;
- Dec. 10 at 8 p.m., regular Council meeting; Dec. 16 at 8 p.m., Ladies of Columbus meeting; Dec. 17 at 8 p.m., Fourth degree meeting; Dec. 17 at 8 p.m., Robert Simpson, a past Grand Master, has announced that they will visit the Home on Monday afternoon, Dec. 14.

CHAIRMAN of the Corporate Communion is Alfred Cunningham. Reservations will be made with him, he said today.

WORKING ON HIS NEW BOOK, "4996" the Rev. John A. Havas, S.J., is shown above (seated) with the Rev. G. Stuart Hogan, pastor of St. James Church, Waverly. The Jesuit author, who is stationed at McQuaid High School, corrected his manuscript in free moments while giving a retreat in Waverly. The book will recount the priest's two year imprisonment by Chinese Communists.

Friday Supper Club Lists Father Heisel As Speaker

The Rev. Raymond G. Heisel, pastor of St. John the Baptist Church, will be the principal speaker at the First Friday Supper, Friday, Dec. 4.

The supper, sponsored by Elmira Council 229, Knights of Columbus, will start at 6 p.m. at Columbus Center. This is a change from the 6:15 starting time of the November function, the first held in the evening.

ALL CATHOLIC MEN of the Elmira area and children over 10, accompanied by a man are invited to attend. The only requirement is that they receive Holy Communion on the day of the supper.

Elmira Council 229, which for years sponsored a First Friday Luncheon, last month switched to the supper-theme in order to provide an opportunity for more men to attend.

Some 50 Catholic men enjoyed a fish dinner, served under the direction of Charles N. Karl. He was assisted by Carmen Esposito and Donald A. Russell.

Frank D. Maloney, council chancellor, is general chairman of the First Friday Supper series. He will also serve as master of ceremonies.

The dinner preparations will again be in charge of Karl and his aides.

Immaculate Conception Masses Set In Elmira

Schedule of Masses in the Elmira area for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, Tuesday, December 8, a holy day of obligation, is:

- St. Mary's—5:30, 7, 8, 9, 12:15 noon, 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.
- St. Patrick's — 5:30, 6:15, 7, 8, 9, 12:15 noon and 5:30 p.m.
- Our Lady of Lourdes—6, 7, 12:15 noon and 5:30 p.m.
- St. Anthony's — 6, 7, 8, 9, 12:15 noon and 5:30 p.m.
- St. Cecilia's—5:30, 7:15 and 8:15 a.m., 12:15 noon and 5:15 p.m.
- St. Casimir's—5:30, 7, 8 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.
- St. Peter and Paul's — 7, 8:30, 12:15 noon and 5:30 p.m.
- St. John the Baptist — 7, 8 a.m., 12:10 noon and 5:15 p.m.
- St. Charles Borromeo — 6, 7, 8, 12:15 noon and 7:30 p.m.
- St. Mary's — Horseheads — 6, 7, 8 and 12:15 noon and 7:30 p.m.

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