

Court St. Rita

Elmira CDA To Mark Fiftieth Anniversary

Court St. Rita No. 137 Catholic Daughters of America will celebrate its 50th Anniversary on April 15 with a banquet to be held at the Mark Twain Hotel, Elmira.

Mrs. John J. McMahon, grand regent of Court St. Rita has appointed Mrs. Floyd Wilcox and Mrs. James Brown, co-chairmen of the banquet. The anniversary celebration will begin with a Solemn High Mass at 9 a. m. at St. Anthony's Church celebrated by the Rev. William A. Burns, chaplain of the Court.

Speaker at the banquet will be the Very Rev. Msgr. Joseph J. Sullivan, pastor, St. Michael's Church, Penn Yan and chaplain of Court St. Michael No. 1173 of Penn Yan.

GUEST OF HONOR will be the State Regent of the Catholic Daughters Mrs. W. Clancy Harrington of Dunkirk, N.Y. Mrs. Harrington is also National Chairman of Legislation and Social Action.

Mrs. Wilcox and Mrs. Brown have named the following committee chairmen for the banquet:

Mrs. Nicholas Spallone, programs; Mrs. Francis O'Connor, reservations; Mrs. J. Packer Harrison, favors; Miss Claire Rose Stork, entertainment; Mrs. Donald Kalec, hostesses; Mrs. Frank J. Lepa, tickets; Miss Mary K. Margraf, badges; Mrs. Edward Widman, reception; Miss Mary Kelly, court history.

From its inception in April, 1911, Court St. Rita members have earned, donated, and expended over \$34,872.16 in works of charity.

THE MEMBERS have contributed also to Catholic education. They have helped in the endowment of Catholic colleges, convents and parochial schools. Prominent among these schools is the National Catholic School of Social Service to which sixteen scholarships have been given by the National Court of the Catholic Daughters.

In the diocese of Rochester the State Court through the donation of its member Courts has given \$250 a year to the Bishop to aid in the education of priests. This money is in the form of a scholarship and is to aid an aspirant to the priesthood. Over the years Court St. Rita has given \$5,000 to this fund.

Highways For Church

Montpelier — (NC) — A state legislator resurrected a New Hampshire law passed in 1797 — and now is wondering about the advisability of enforcing it.

The law specifies that the people of New Hampshire cannot use the highways on Sundays, except to attend religious services and return home, without the permission of a Justice of the peace.

State Sen. Marshall Dunham of Franklin County some months ago discovered a well-preserved copy of the old statute while he was engaged in settling an estate. Mr. Dunham said he has found no evidence that the law ever was repealed.

Judge Mix Named By Eye-Bank

Judge Frederick J. Mix, honorary chairman of the Rochester Eye Bank and Research Society, Inc., board was named chief speaker and coordinator of speaking engagements.

The speakers' committee, composed of an experienced group of men and women is prepared to speak to a gathering of any size within the ten-county area which the Eye-Bank serves.

Korean Priests
Seoul — (NC) — Twenty-two priests were ordained in South Korea in March, bringing the number of Korean priests to 274.

Recently a \$600 grant to a girl attending a Catholic College has been inaugurated in each diocese.

Members donate service to many institutions. St. Joseph's Hospital in Elmira has been one of their sustaining projects. Each Thursday afternoon for forty-three years members of the Catholic Daughters have sewed at the hospital doing the mending and making up new material.

The Court also has donated a room in the Maternity Hospital. At the time of the flood in 1946 members worked helping to clean the debris left in its wake. They also worked cooking, washing dishes, helping to care for people whose homes had been destroyed or made unlivable during the flood.

FOURTEEN YEARS ago the

Court began the custom of awarding a Rosary to the outstanding girl graduate of the Elmira Catholic High School. This project is being continued with Notre Dame High School.

Since 1949 St. Christopher's Library has been located in the Catholic Daughter Rooms on East Church. Many of the member of this group has been further the interests of the Library. The most outstanding members of this group has been Miss Mary Newsome who has guided the Library through its years of growing.

The Court has also sponsored the Poetry Contest directed by the National Court. In 1960 Court St. Rita sponsored Sister M. Esther, whose poem won first place in both the State and National divisions of the contest.



FINALIST AWARD winners from DeSales High School, Geneva, are Michael Walker, Carmello Russo and Michael Grabman.

Students Take Science Awards

Geneva — De Sales High School sent nine finalists chosen at the school's science exhibit on March 7, to the Regional Science Fair held at Phelps Central School, on Saturday, March 25.

Here, some 200 pupils from the sixteen high schools of Ontario, Seneca, and Yates counties brought work which had previously won them honor.

SEVEN OF THE De Sales exhibits won awards—Michael Grabman, with a study of "Thermal Conductivity," Carmello Russo with a study of "Microorganism" and Michael Walker with a "Model Sand Filler" won finalist awards.

These boys will take their work to the Brockport Fair on

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Meetings, Conferences Attract College Staff

Members of the Nazareth College faculty are making use of the Easter recess from classroom teaching to take part in various meetings and conferences scheduled for this time.

Rev. William H. Shannon and Sister Mary Lourdes, of the Department of Theology, will go to the Sheraton Hotel in Boston on April 3 and 4, for a meeting of the Society of Catholic College Teachers of Sacred Doctrine.

Seven hundred members of this national theological society are expected to attend this meeting. Sister Rose Alice will accompany Sister Mary Lourdes.

SISTER SAINT Catherine, dean of studies at Nazareth College, accompanied by Sister Jamesita, Dean of the Elementary Teacher Training Division, are planning to be in Atlantic City from April 4 to 7.

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Auburn KC Honors Father Wahl

REV. RAYMOND J. WAHL, pastor of Sacred Heart Church, Auburn, was honored by having 60 new members initiated into the Auburn Council of the Knights of Columbus as the Rev. Raymond J. Wahl Class. From left are Phillip J. Conboy, grand knight; Charles E. Nolan, who recruited 27 of the candidates, Father Wahl, and Clarence W. Nolan, chairman of the membership committee.

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have prayed to Jesus Christ under a variety of names accompanied by periodic, tradition-stepped celebrations.

The solemn observance of Easter and Holy Week in Mexico recalls the wide diversity of names for the Christ figure — El Senor del Perdon (The Lord of Forgiveness); Our Lord of Mercy; Our Lord of Triumph; Our Lord of Humility and a host of other appellations.

From the major cities, like Mexico and Guadalajara, to small villages, such as Ocotlan in the state of Jalisco, religious festivals give homage to Christ in a fair-like atmosphere highlighted by dances, fireworks, and other traditional customs.

IN COLORFUL Ciudad Manuel Doblado in the state of Guanajuato, a festival is held every May 3rd in honor of Our Father Jesus of the Glaziers. Natives of Dolores Hidalgo and Salamanca (also in Guanajuato) celebrate The Feast of the Circumcision and Ascension Thursday in honor of El Senor del Llanito (Our Lord of the Little Plain) and El Senor del Hospital (Our Lord of the Hospital).

Since the 16th century in Hidalgo, in Mexico, the second Friday of Lent has been set aside for homage to Our Lord of Health, with many Indians from the surrounding countryside coming into the village.

Six well-known religious fiestas are held annually in

Chalma, in the state of Mexico, in honor of El Senor del Chalma. Pilgrims flock from all parts of the republic for these festivities on the Epiphany, the first Friday of February, Ascension Thursday, August 28th, September 29th and Christmas Day.

Every Ash Wednesday in Amecameca de Juarez, observances are held in the name of Our Lord of the Holy Mountain. And in San Miguel de Allende, a favorite tourist spot, Christ is revered under many titles such as Our Lord of Happy Journeys, Our Lord of Lodgings, Our Lord of the Column, Our Lord of Blows, Our Lord of the Holy Sepulchre, Our Lord of the Afflicted and The Holy Lord of the Conquest (a 16th century name first used there by the Conquistadors).

He is not only noted for his judicial career, but he is a much sought after feature speaker.

The general chairman of the dinner is William S. Bennett, honorary chairman is William J. O'Bryan, assistant co-chairmen are Rev. Alfred J. Horr and Rev. John A. Morgan. Also assisting are: Joseph Hayes, John Bacon, Dr. James A. Mark, John DeLaura, Joseph McNamara, William C. Emerson and Miss Mary E. FitzGerald.

Tickets are now on sale and can be obtained from members of the dinner committee, Board of Governors of the agency, parish priests, Chairmen of the committee of the Ladies of Charity or by calling RE. 4-5126. Tickets will not be sold the night of the dinner.

Lourdes Parish Schedules OFM

Monsignor Leo G. Schwab, pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Elmira, urges the traditional family Communion on Easter Sunday, followed by a breakfast in every home.

REV. CASSIAN Kirk, O.F.M., will speak at the 7:45 evening Mass on Holy Thursday and will also preach at the Easter Vigil Mass on Holy Saturday evening and at all the Masses on Easter Sunday.

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