

Bishop Kearney's Jubilee Mass Sunday Afternoon at Cathedral

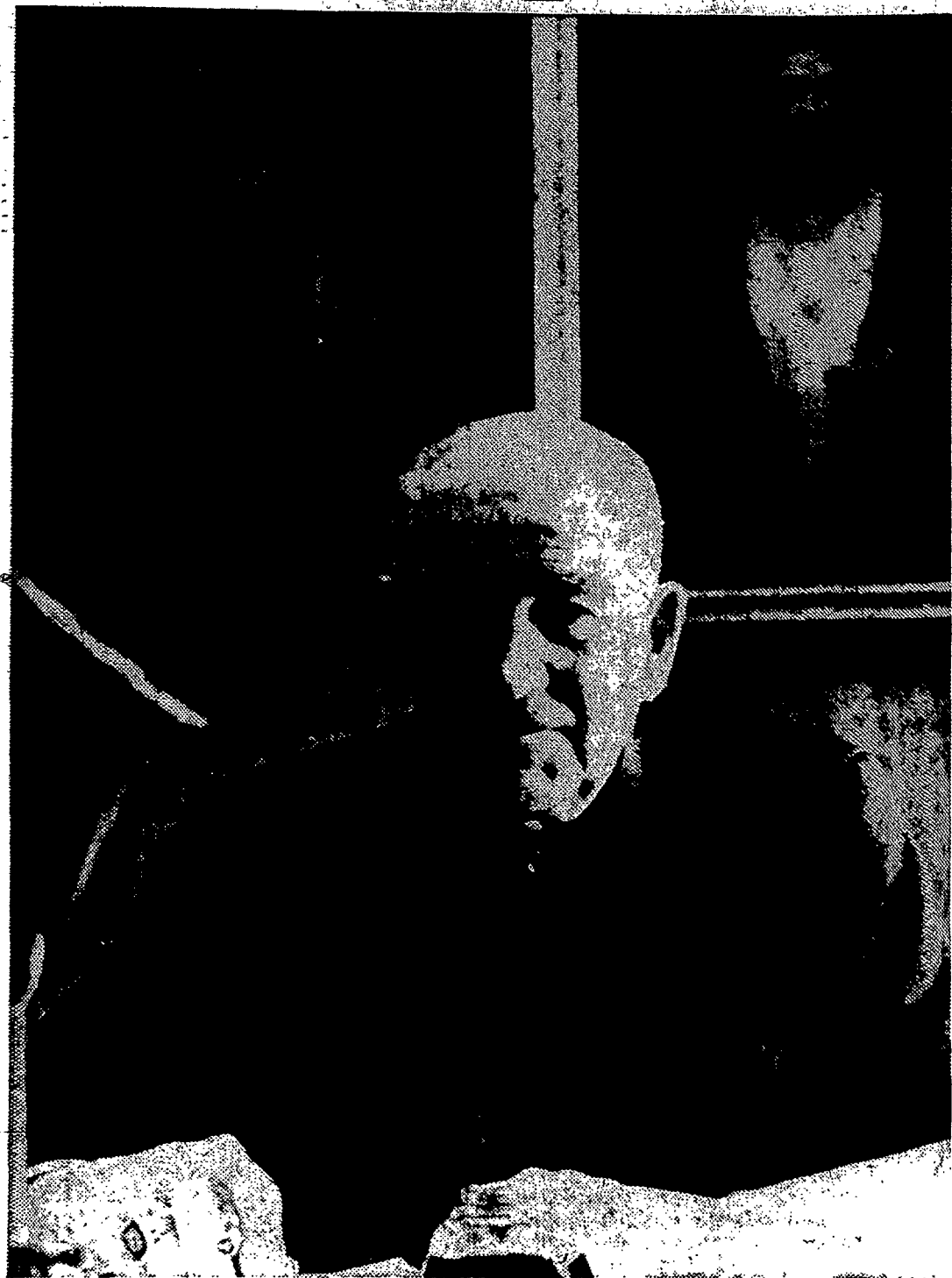
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Bishop Kearney was back at his Chancery desk this week after returning from sessions of the ecumenical Council in Rome. Pope John gave him special permission to return home to mark his silver jubilee as head of the Rochester Diocese.

A Request So Amply Fulfilled

Twenty five years ago Bishop Kearney in his first sermon as newly installed head of the Rochester Diocese asked "entrance into the sanctuary of the hearts of the people" he was sent to shepherd in their spiritual life.

Few requests have ever been more completely fulfilled.

The devotion of tens of thousands in more than 150 parishes in twelve counties is a story best known within the "sanctuary" of each heart.

THIS DEVOTION is not limited just to his own religious family but includes warm recognition from members of other denominations as the "number one citizen."

His twenty-five years as Bishop of Rochester have changed skylines in scores of communities as new churches, new schools, new homes of mercy to the sick, aged and orphaned have risen at a phenomenal rate.

More than 100 new edifices have received the Bishop's blessing—some new buildings to replace old structures; others, all new churches or schools for young parishes.

HIS GREATEST joy, he has stated frequently, is to bless a new tabernacle where "our divine Lord can fulfill His promise to 'dwell with you always.'"

How many new tabernacles have received the Bishop's blessing? An actual count is hard to come by—eighteen new parishes have been established, twenty-four other parishes have built new churches—for a total of forty-two new tabernacles in parishes.

ADD TO this chapels in convents, hospitals, schools and other religious institutions and the total soars near the 100 mark.

A soaring increase in the generation of youngsters has been met with a vast expansion of Catholic schools ranging from the kindergarten to the college level.

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Throgs Honor Pope John

Pope John XXIII observed his fourth anniversary as Supreme Pontiff at a Mass in St. Peter's Basilica at the Vatican Sunday morning. More than 2000 bishops attended the rite. Bishop Kearney said Pope John has made a lasting mark on Church history by convoking the current ecumenical Council which will shape Church activities for centuries ahead.

Vatican City — (RNS) — Ten Fathers entered the great basilica in procession while the Sistine Choir intoned 12 times the Kyrie Eleison (Lord, have mercy). The anniversary Mass was celebrated by Giovanni Battista Cardinal Montini, Archbishop of Milan, in the Ambrosian Rite named after St. Ambrose, the patron saint of Milan.

The Pope in his talk said that the Mass was being celebrated in honor of his favorite saint, St. Charles Borromeo who, as a young cardinal, helped resolve difficulties at the 18-year-long Council of Trent in the 16th century and thereby brought it to a speedier conclusion.

The pontiff and the Council

Bishop Describes Vatican Council

Bishop Kearney returned to Rochester this week after more than a month at the ecumenical Council in Rome.

He will mark his silver jubilee as spiritual shepherd of the Rochester Diocese at a solemn Mass at Sacred Heart Cathedral this Sunday, November 11, at 4:30 p.m.

The date marks twenty five years to the very day since he was installed in impressive rites in the same church as fifth Bishop of Rochester.

All are invited to attend this Sunday's Mass at the Cathedral.

Monsignor James C. McNiff, Vicar General, who administered the Diocese during Bishop Kearney's attendance at the Vatican Council, will give the jubilee sermon.

Bishop Kearney will also speak following the Mass.

When asked what was the greatest single impression the Council made on him, Bishop Kearney said the opening rite in St. Peter's will be a most enduring memory.

Flanked by prelates from every corner of the earth, the Bishop said, "I couldn't help but think back to that little band of the original twelve apostles. They must have thought, 'what an impossible task they faced with the command to teach all nations.'"

"And here at the tomb of St. Peter, the Prince of the Apostles, were the nearly 3000 successors to that little group of twelve."

"There were bishops from all over the world, from every race and color — black and white, yellow and brown — and we were united by one faith and one purpose. The 'impossible' dream of the apostles had come true."

Pope John, he said, is "providential" for the present times — he is keenly aware of the needs of the Church and his decision to convocate the present ecumenical Council, first in a hundred years, is sure to make an indelible mark on Church history.

The Bishop reported he had a "good seat" for the stirring, four hour rite which opened the Council and during the working sessions — seat number 256 in the third section from the front on the Epistle side of vast St. Peter's Basilica.

ASKED ABOUT the reported tensions which divide the world's bishops into sharp liberal and conservative camps, Bishop Kearney said he thought such reports were "exaggerated."

There are "different viewpoints" he admitted but "not divisions."

He cited in particular current discussion at the Council about using local languages in place of Latin at Mass.

"One fact that has been brought out clearly," the Bishop said, "is that this problem is different in different areas of

the world." He thinks the Council will favor a solution that will leave it up to individual bishops to decide whether to retain Latin or use other languages.

Such a decision would also set a precedent for other topics to come before the Council—to "de-centralize details of administration" by giving bishops more authority with less need to consult Vatican officials.

The Bishop described the day to day working sessions of the Council.

Each day a prelate of a different rite or nationality celebrates Mass to begin the day. The altar faces the congregation of bishops and the famed Sistine Chapel Choir sings during each Mass.

Following the Mass, an ornate Book of the Gospels is brought in solemn procession to the altar and entrusted on a richly carved stand about four feet tall. The bishops and the Sistine Choir alternate in singing the hymn, "Christus vincit," an ancient acclamation to Christ the King.

Sessions so far have included talks by bishops who in favor of simplifying church rites and adopting local languages, others voicing their opposition to any change.

Bishop Kearney said he welcomed Pope John's decision this week to cut off discussions once different positions have been expressed and settling the matter by a vote of the bishops. Repeated statements of pro and con positions, he said, threatens to stretch the Council into an endless future.

Bishop Kearney's diocesan duties will keep him at home for the rest of the current session of the Council which is expected to end December 8. No definite date has been set for the next session although present indications hint for an after-Easter resumption of the Council.

Continued prayer for the Pope and the bishops is still needed, the Bishop said, since decisions made at this Council will chart the Church's course "for many, many years ahead."

Women Meet in Detroit

Detroit — (NC) — Ten thousand determined women converged here from all parts of the country for an intensive five days of give-and-take discussions aimed at finding the place of "the Christian in a changing world."

The 31st national convention of the National Council of Catholic Women gave no strait-jacketing answers. But it provided guidelines indicating to Catholic women that whatever their status in life, they are part of society and therefore have a duty as Christians to try to improve the world about them.

(A Rochester diocesan group led by Mrs. Julian Hunston, Diocesan Council of Catholic Women president, is attending the Detroit meeting.)

The convention got rolling Sunday with a general meeting on Saturday afternoon (Nov. 3). It Welfare Conference, Washington kept on going with little let-up.

over Sunday and right through the following Wednesday evening. The women came as representatives of approximately nine million members of some 14,000 organizations affiliated with the 42-year-old national women's Catholic Action body.

The NCCW lined up experts on a host of questions, people from all over the country. Among the men who spoke at various sessions were John Meng, president of Hunter College, New York; Philip Schaeffer, New York publisher, firm, and John B. Mannion, Washington, executive secretary of the Liturgical Conference.

KEYNOTE of the conference came with the opening address given by Msgr. Clarence D. White, assistant general secretary of the National Catholic Welfare Conference, Washington.

Msgr. White compared the women's gathering here to the assembly of the Catholic bishops of the world in general council in St. Peter's in Rome. By the influence of the Holy Spirit, he said, the convention program gave the convention "a certain participation in the work of the ecumenical council."

"When the Church prays, all of us pray, even though we may be cooking a meal, reading a book, or shopping in a store. When the Church thinks, all of us think, because we are part of the oneness of the Church in Christ. When we commit sin, the sinner suffers and the whole Church suffers because the sinner is part of the Church. When those outside the Church see us practicing charity and justice, then they see the Church teaching through us. If we fail to give good example to the world about us, then the Church fails to attract this same portion of the world to Him who is 'the Truth, the Way and the Life.'"

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Priests Named In Clothing Drive

Appointment of nine area directors of the Catholic Bishops' Thanksgiving Clothing Collection, to be held in nearly 150 parishes of the Rochester Diocese during the week of November 18, was announced this week by Rev. E. Leo Mannus, diocesan director of the fourteenth annual clothing campaign.

APPOINTED WERE:

Rev. Robert J. Kanka, Monroe County,

Rev. Joseph F. Hogan, Chemung and Schuyler Counties,

Rev. Charles L. McCarthy, Cayuga County,

Rev. Neil J. Goodman, Tompkins and Tioga Counties,

Rev. James O'Connell, Ontario County,

Rev. William J. Gaynor, Wayne County,

Rev. William M. Thomas, Cortning,

Rev. William H. Hickey, Steuben County,

Rev. John L. Coonan, Livingston County.

These directors, who serve also as deanery Moderators of the Rochester Diocesan Council of Catholic Women, which Bishop Kearney has entrusted with the promotion of the clothing collection, will supervise the campaign in their localities.

Last year 140 parishes of the diocese contributed 510,347 pounds of usable clothing to swell the nationwide total to 17,400,000 pounds of clothing, shoes, blankets, and other materials, valued at \$25,000,000.

Clothing collected by each parish is shipped directly to the Bronx warehouse of Catholic Relief Services — N.C.W.C., where it is processed and baled. Subsequent distribution overseas in centers in 67 countries is supervised by this relief and rehabilitation agency of the U.S. Bishops.

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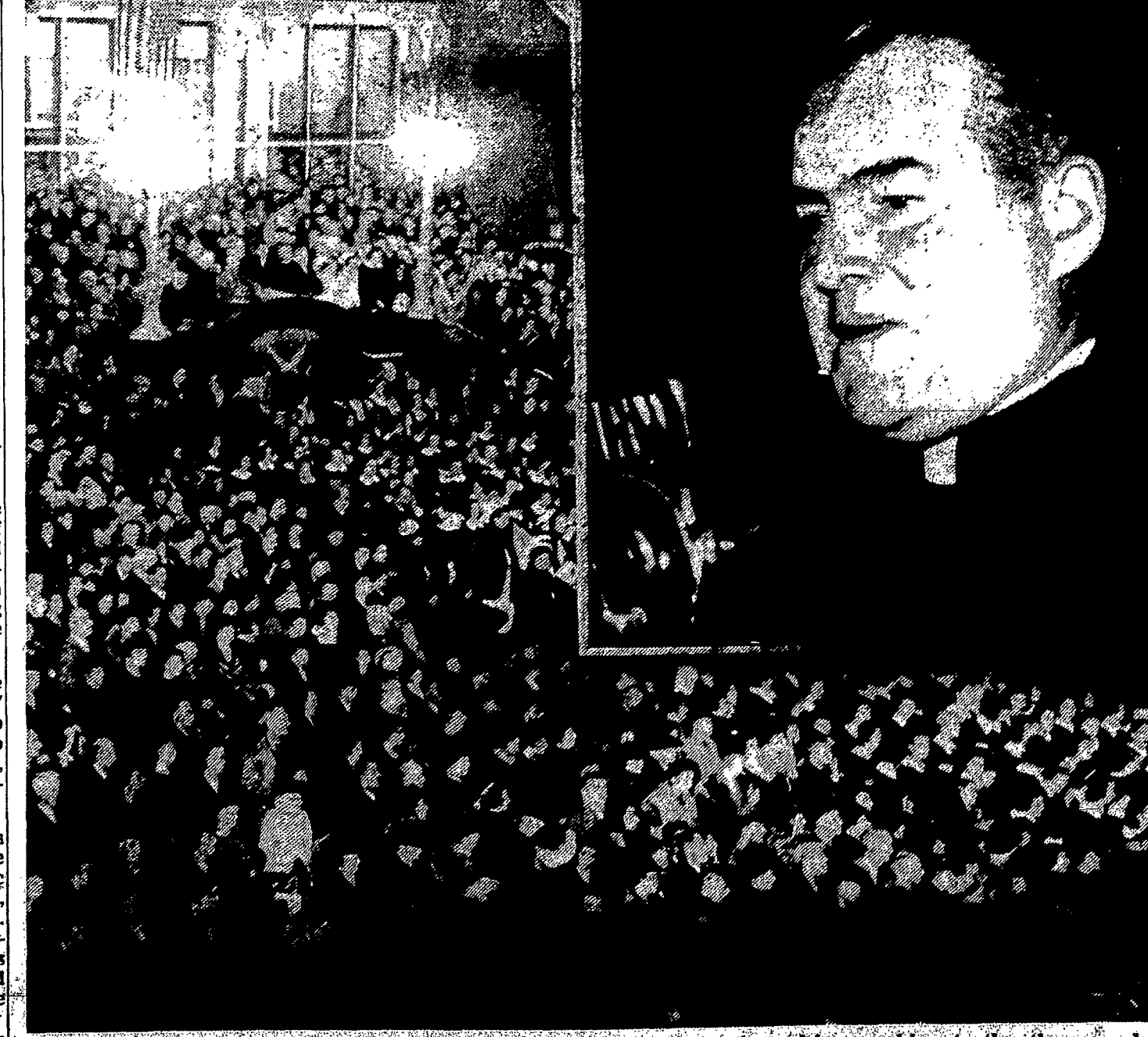
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When Bishop Kearney came to the Rochester Diocese in 1937 he pledged to be "the servant of his priests" in the "tremendous task of helping hundreds of thousands of souls to attain their eternal salvation." His twenty-five years as Bishop of Rochester are a continuing record of how well he has kept that pledge.

This photo shows him speaking to the throgs who greeted him at the New York Central station on November 10, 1937, on the eve of his installation at solemn rites in Sacred Heart Cathedral. After greeting the thousands who welcomed him to his Diocese, he led them in singing the national anthem.

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