



Cathedral Mass for President Kennedy

Text of Bishop's Talk At Mass for President

(This is the text of Bishop Kearney's poem tribute to President Kennedy at a Thanksgiving Day Requiem Mass in Sacred Heart Cathedral.)

The most universally admired and loved of all the Presidents of the United States lies in his grave. After life's fitful fever he sleeps well. Treason has done its worst. Nor steel, nor poison, domestic malice nor foreign levy, nothing can touch him further.

Then breathe not his name, let it sleep in the shade where near the Potomac his relics are laid.

Sad, silent and dark be the tears that we shed as the night dew that falls on the grass of his head.

But the night dew that falls though in silence it weeps shall brighten with verdure the grave where he sleeps.

And the tear that we shed though in secret it rolls will long keep his memory green in our souls.

Thanksgiving Day at Sacred Heart Cathedral drew a throng of worshippers to pray for the soul of slain President John F. Kennedy.

Bishop Kearney offered a solemn Requiem Mass and spoke in tribute of the President.

St. Bernard's Seminary chapel directed by Rev. Robert Smith sang the Mass according to a musical setting just completed by Cathedral organist Frank Elcock.

The flag which draped the catafalque was presented to diocesan officials by the late Father Joseph Natale, parish priest of the cathedral. The flag had earlier been used at a military funeral in Arlington National Cemetery in a rite attended by President Kennedy.

Following the Bishop's talk, tape were sounded.

England's Rochester Prays for President

Following is the text of a letter sent to Bishop Kearney by Father John A. V. Burke, pastor of St. John Fisher Church, Rochester, Kent, England. The letter was written last Saturday, the day after President Kennedy was killed.

Your Excellency, The appalling news of the assassination of President Kennedy has shocked us all deeply. Everybody I have spoken to shares with me the sense of a personal loss in the death of this good man. I feel the urge to communicate with some one of his countrymen our sympathy and sorrow and so I write to you to convey to you and your good people our profound condolences in this tragic loss.

The news came just half an hour before I was due to say the evening Mass last night and so I offered a Requiem for the dead President. I am offering another Requiem on Monday, the day of the funeral, at which the Mayor and Corporation of Rochester will be present.

May God give rest and peace to his soul and comfort his young wife and family.

President Kennedy made a great impact on the people of this country and the newspapers all dwell upon the contribution he made to real peace and understanding among races and peoples. I am sure that his efforts will not cease with his death. The manner of his death will surely stimulate us all to greater tolerance and charity to all men.

With my best wishes and prayers for your devotionally,
Father John A. V. Burke.

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Marks Silver Jubilee

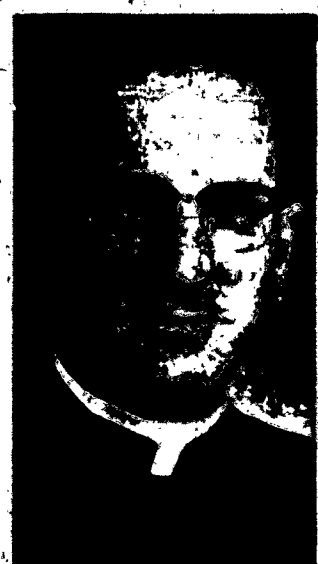
Very Reverend Msgr. J. Emmett Murphy, pastor of the Church of the Holy Apostles will mark the 25th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood Sunday Dec. 8.

Monsignor Murphy will celebrate a Solemn Mass at 12:15 noon. Bishop James E. Kearney will preside and preach.

Rev. Edward E. Steinkirchner will be deacon and Rev. M. Gerard Hafner, subdeacon.

A reception will be held in the school hall from 5 to 8 p.m. for friends and parishioners.

Monsignor Murphy, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Richard Murphy was educated at Blessed Sacrament School, St. Andrew's and St. Bernard's Seminary. He received his licentiate in Sacred Theology from the Gregorian University in Rome where he was ordained Dec. 8, 1938 in the Chapel of the North American College.



MONSIGNOR MURPHY

Auburn and St. Francis de Sales Church, Geneva. Monsignor Murphy entered the United States Army chaplains corps in 1941 and served in the Persian Gulf Command until 1945. In January, 1946, he was appointed professor of moral theology and canon law at St. Bernard's Seminary.

The late Holy Father, Pius XII raised him to the rank of papal chamberlain with the title of Very Reverend Monsignor in 1959.

In June 1961, Monsignor Murphy was appointed pastor of the Church of the Holy Apostles. Since then, he has continued the program of modernization and refurbishing undertaken by his predecessor, Monsignor George V. Fredmore. Under Monsignor Murphy's direction a campaign to increase the weekly parish income has just been successfully concluded in order to complete this work on the parish buildings.

Thanksgiving Collection

Clothing Drive Report Builds

The 15th annual Thanksgiving Clothing Collection, conducted last month in more than 140 parishes of the diocese, may exceed last year's record of 254 tons, according to the Rev. E. Leo McMannus, diocesan director of the clothing campaign.

"Already 45 parishes and two institutions, St. Bernard's Seminary and St. Anne's home, have completed shipments of 316,578 pounds of clothing for the needy overseas," Father McMannus said yesterday. "This represents an increase of 1,819 pounds over their contributions in last year's collection."

SACRED HEART Cathedral, with 41,235 pounds, topped again in the parishes. Other large contributions were reported from St. Margaret Mary (14,010 lbs.); St. Charles (13,900 lbs.); St. John Evangelist, Greece (12,950 lbs.); St. Ann (12,246 lbs.); St. James (10,518 lbs.); Our Lady of Mercy (9,700 lbs.); Holy Cross (9,100 lbs.); St. Boniface (8,475 lbs.); and St. Thomas the Apostle (8,411 lbs.). The largest contribution from outside

Groundbreaking

Rite Slated At Lourdes

Ground for the new Our Lady of Lourdes Church in Brighton will be broken at 4 p.m. Sunday by Bishop Kearney.

Although actual construction will not begin until next March, Sunday, Dec. 8, was chosen by Monsignor Leslie G. Whelan, pastor, since it is the feast of the Immaculate Conception.

MONSIGNOR WHELAN announced this week that a building fund campaign, conducted last month among parishioners, had exceeded the \$450,000 goal. He said upwards of \$52,000 in pledges had been received. They are payable over a 30-month period.

The new edifice, which will seat approximately 600, will face east on Rhinecliff Drive on the north side of Imperial Drive, and will extend west to Varnum Drive.

The present frame structure built in 1928, will be torn down in the spring to make way for the new building.

During the construction period, services will be held in the school hall. Easter of 1965 has been set as the target date for occupancy of the new church.

Bishop Kearney will break ground on the approximate site of the church sanctuary. A temporary redwood cross marking the spot will remain until construction begins.

Anthony R. Ralph was general chairman of last month's successful campaign. Foley Associates, national Catholic fund-raising consultants, 1406 Monroe Ave., provided professional guidance.

Ecumenical Day Draws More Than 300 Nuns

More than 300 Sisters of the Rochester Diocese attended the first Ecumenical Day held at St. John's Seminary, Montour Falls, on Friday, Nov. 29. The Fraternity of the Atonement conducted the sessions, which lasted from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., consisting of three introductory talks given by Father DeSales Standerwick, Father Jude Tarran, and Father Alban Carroll, S.A., on the Catholic, Orthodox and Protestant aspects of the ecumenical movement.

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4th Degree K.C. Honors 14 Leaders

Rochester General Assembly of the Knights of Columbus, at their November meeting, honored their Past Faithful Navigators, Raymond E. Nary, Master of the Fifth New York District, and John Garland, Captain of Rochester General Assembly, were co-chairmen of the meeting, preceded by dinner in the Sheraton Hotel.

Full Navigator, Victor A. DeSimon, presented "Past Faithful Navigator" Baldries to the following: Frederick Mix, Cyril Statt, Otto Shultz, William Woerner, Joseph Murphy, Donald Woerner, Eugene R. Cusker, Lawrence Ryan, John Conway, Richard Scaton, John Prendergast, James O. Stein, Robert J. Farrell, T. Kenneth Kavanaugh.

The assembly voted to present one additional Chalice at the Lincoln Day Dinner Feb. 10, 1964, in honor of the late President John F. Kennedy. Mr. Kennedy will be asked to choose a priest as the recipient.

On Dec. 15, the Rotary of Peace will be recited at St. Francis of Assisi Church, led by Faithful Navigator Victor A. DeSimon. All members and their families are invited.

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