

Bishop To Preside At AOH Conclave

Bishop Kearney will preside and preach at the solemn Mass opening the 72nd biennial state convention of the Ancient Order of Hibernians at St. Patrick's Church, Elmira, next Thursday, June 25, at 9:30 a.m.

CAMELITE FATHER Donald M. O'Callaghan of New York City will be celebrant of the Mass and speak at the breakfast following in the Mark Twain Hotel.

He is state chaplain of the AOH and its Auxiliary and deputy national chaplain.

Jessell Father Nicholas J. Sullivan, president of Lamoine College, Syracuse, will speak at the convention's banquet Saturday evening.

Matthias F. Fennell and Mrs. James Coggins are chairmen of the convention expected to bring 700 delegates to Elmira, Wednesday through Saturday.

Thursday evening there will be an Irish Nite program.

A memorial Mass for deceased members will be offered by Father John S. Hayes at St. Patrick's Church, Friday morning at 8 a.m. Rev. John J. Leary will preach. A convention ball is scheduled for that evening.

To add to the Irish theme of the convention, a Mass of St. Patrick's Irish International Shrine will be present to greet delegates.

William Kinane of Brooklyn, state president, will preside at the convention's business sessions while Mr. Lillian Leach of Queens County, Auxiliary president, will conduct the Auxiliary's assembly.

The AOH-national board will be represented by national president James J. Comerford of New York County and national secretary John F. Geaghan of Brooklyn.

25 Years Ago

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Program for the Holy Name Society Rally expected to attract 12,000 men to Red Wing Stadium listed above by Bishop Kearney and Rev. Harry C. Graham, G.P., National Director of Holy Name Societies.

A surprise dinner was given by parishioners for Rev. George J. Schmitt, pastor of St. Anne's to mark his silver jubilee of ordination. Also honored was Rev. Dr. George J. K. O'Fallon, pastor of St. Mary's by fellow priests, high American Legion officials and prominent business and professional men. In Victor, Rev. E. Joseph Esser, pastor of St. Patrick's was honored on his silver jubilee. Honored at same time were Rev. Bartholomew L. Quirk, in Seneca Falls; and Rev. James T. Schmitt, pastor of St. Ann, Oswego with Rev. John M. Selinger, pastor of St. Anthony, Groton at the latter rectory.



Bishop Kearney greets couples marking their golden wedding anniversary at Cathedral rite.

AOH Welcomes New Members

At a recent meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Ancient Order of Hibernians the following ladies were inducted: Mesdames Joseph Naylor, William Riley, Thomas Egan, Kadeen Karam and James Cain.

Mrs. Thomas F. Coggins gave a report on the committee and activities for the State Convention of the AOH to be held in Elmira June 24-27.

Rev. John S. Hayes, chaplain, welcomed the new members and spoke of the Masses for the Convention to be offered in St. Patrick's Church, Elmira.

45 To Graduate At St. Anthony's

Rev. William A. Burns, pastor of St. Anthony's Church, Elmira will address the class of 45 graduates and present awards in a ceremony to be held in the church on Sunday at 3 p.m.

Rev. Mark Sullivan, assistant pastor, will present the class. The students will attend the 10 a.m. Mass and receive Holy Communion.

At Atonement Seminary 300 Boys Register For Vocational Retreats

Montour Falls — Three hundred boys from fifty-one parishes in the Rochester Diocese have registered for the second annual Vocational Retreats. Father Theophane Murphy, S.A., rector of St. John's Seminary, Montour Falls, where the retreats will be held, reported that this is an increase over last year's attendance.

"Due to the tremendous cooperation given by the parish priests and the sisters in the schools, there will be a record number of boys from the Diocese on the retreats this year. The enthusiasm and interest of the boys, and the encouragement given by their parents, priests and teachers displays the generosity and willingness of all involved to foster needed vocations," Father Murphy stated.

Because of the increased number of boys making the retreats there will be two separate retreats. Father Louis Heenan, the Diocese Director of Vocations, and Father Murphy will conduct the first retreat which begins on June 23. The second, which begins on June 26, will be conducted by Father Murphy and Father Joseph Reinhart, chaplain at Notre Dame High School, in Elmira.

Vocational Retreats are meant to help boys discover if they have a vocation or not. This year a new feature has been added. On the second night of the retreat representatives from the various religious communities who work in the Diocese with several diocesan priests will hold a panel discussion for the boys on the meaning of a priestly vocation.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Meisenbach, Frank L. McKay, George Maer, Jeremiah Moynihan, Matthew Meisenbach, Eugene McCarthy, George McGrath, Nicola Neta, John Novelli, Plus Ostrowski, Frank Palmazano, Emery Pixley, Pasquel Emanuel, John Schwartz.

Mr. and Mrs. Felix Riccardo, Henry Sanders, Peter Stecki, Charles Serias, Salvatoro Spina, Joseph Summerlin, Henry Tahaar, Christopher Traverso, Edward Vande Motel, Theophilus Van Schoonacker, W. E. Wealthy, and Angelo Zanni.

Bishop Blesses Jubilee Couples

Bishop Kearney blessed 44 couples marking their golden wedding anniversary this year at a Mass Sunday evening in Sacred Heart Cathedral. The jubilarians

came from many parishes in the Diocese—Rochester, Hornell, Webster, Fenfield and Newark.

In his talk to them, the Bishop described the four occasions for thanksgiving he presided at on that day and cited the Scripture text, "From the rising of the sun to the going down thereof, the name of the Lord is worthy of praise."

He began the day at a Mass for 230 graduates of St. Agnes High School at which he "carried their thanks to God for accomplishing the goal toward which they worked so faithfully in the four formative years of their high school life."

He then gave the Symbolic cap and pin to 30 graduates of St. Mary's Hospital School of Nursing and heard their valedictorian express their thanks to God for the blessings of life.

The Bishop compared their fifty years to the fifty Hail Marys of the Rosary and traced the parallel of the joyful, sorrowful and glorious mysteries of the Rosary with the events of the jubilarians' married life—joy "when the hopes for your children were realized," sorrow "for the mistakes inevitable in every life, sickness and the passing of loved ones," and the glorious sharing in heaven's happiness which awaits those who serve God faithfully.

"In the years that are left in the evening of your life, I pray that the mysteries of the Rosary of your life will all be joyful ones," he said.

JUBILARIANS attending the Mass were the Mr. and Mrs. John Ammering, Nelson Ainsworth, William Burns, Raymond Brayer, Edward Bates, Joseph Continio, John P. Crowley, Ralph DiCesare, Frank Davis.

Also Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Fischer, Louis Krenner, Andrew Kundrat, George Knapp, G.S. Loree, Andrew Labinski, Henry Lechietner, Frank Lustyk, Dominic Molinar.

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Rochesterians Meet In Brazil

FIVE THOUSAND MILES FROM HOME, three Rochesterians met last month in a Brazilian village. Father John Drexel, O.M.I. (left) teaches catechism in this makeshift public school which cares for more than 1,000 youngsters in three daily shifts. It is part of a huge sprawling 60,000-member parish on the outskirts of Sao Paulo, South America's largest city. Sister Rose Alma, S.S.J., was visiting the city while taking special instruction classes in Petropolis, preparatory to establish the first foreign mission of the Rochester St. Joseph Sisters in Natal, Goals. Father Thomas Brown, O.M.I., is Vocation Director for the Oblate Fathers in Brazil. Last month the third Brazilian seminarian flew to the United States to continue his studies in the Oblate Major Seminary in Washington, D.C.



Mrs. Cleveland Named Delegate To CDA Meet

Owens — Mrs. Beatrice M. Cleveland, district deputy of the Catholic Daughters of America, and a member of Court St. Rose of Lima, C.D.A., was named Rochester delegate to the National Convention of the order in Hollywood, Florida in July.

Mrs. Eleanor Howe, a vice-grand regent, gave a report at the New York State convention which was held in Buffalo on May 18 to May 21 at the monthly meeting of Court St. Rose of Lima held on June 2.

The installation of the newly elected officers was postponed until September by the request of Mrs. Florence Hennessy, District Deputy of Binghamton.

Madonna Plan Aides To Form In Diocese

An appeal is being made to all women in the Rochester Diocese for help in keeping the Madonna Plan of the Foreign Relief program of National Council of Catholic Women operating throughout the poor areas of the world.

A group to be known as Madonna Helpers is being organized for the purpose of sending financial aid to the Madonna Plan program. (See display advertisement in this issue).

MADONNA PLAN help is much needed. Its projects are creative and far-reaching.

In Colombia, a course of lectures on nutrition and hygiene for mother and child were prepared and delivered by the Medical Director of Radio Sutatenza, Dr. Alejandro Salas, through a Madonna Plan grant. This course of thirty lectures was printed and illustrated with drawings in permanent form for ready reference for distribution to the mothers in the area.

Another Madonna Plan grant in Colombia provides a full-time nurse to serve the poor from a Children's Shelter set up in Pereira. Grants also provide full-time nurses in many areas in Guatemala, Bolivia, Venezuela, Thailand and Cambodia, as well as Colombia, bringing emergency medicines and first aid to mothers and children. A home-visiting nurse is working among the poor in Puerto la Cruz, Venezuela. A full-time nurse and part-time doctor are working in Northeast Thailand.

Similar aid is distributed throughout Asia, Central and South America, Africa and Europe.

All types of clinical aid is included in the program. Educational training classes also receive grants. And the clinics are used as centers for distributing food and clothing.

Madonna Helper funds will be sent to NCCW headquarters in Washington to be used in the Madonna Plan program.



ND Student Receives KC Grant

PAUL A. TAMMARO, State Warden of the New York State Council, Knights of Columbus presents a \$100-K. of C. Scholarship to Joan Farmer of Notre Dame High School, Elmira. Looking on from left are Father Joseph F. Reinhart, school chaplain; Sister Mary Albert, principal; and Joan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Farmer of 1295 Penna. Ave. An outstanding student, Joan placed first in the graduating class of 166 with a four year mark of 95.8. She was a finalist in the National Merit Scholarship Program, the recipient of

a full tuition scholarship at Nazareth College and will be the graduation speaker tomorrow night in the school auditorium. In presenting the award to Joan, Mr. Tammaro spoke on the Charitable and Benevolent Program of the New York State Council of the K. of C. in which children of living or deceased members of the Order in this State may receive loans without interest, and on a moral obligation, to attend College and to repay after they have completed their education.

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