

'Mothers' Circle' Joins Family Life Bureau

The groups known as "Mothers' Circle" formerly under the direction of the Rochester D.C.C.W., recently have been made a division of the Diocesan Family Life Bureau. They also, however, to perform her obligations to husband, children, church and community, remains the same.

Because of the widespread interest in this activity and its corresponding growth, new committees have been set up to cover everyone's needs and to relay information through the right channels.

THE REV. GERALD DUNN, director of the Family Life Bureau, continues as moderator. Mrs. John Tschidener and Mrs. Paul Subram are co-chairmen. Mrs. Joseph Greiner serves as treasurer.

The mailing of the "Agenda" a monthly circular, used as a basis of study and discussion at meetings, is handled by Mrs. John Herman, secretary. Articles for this circular are written by mothers of various circles. At present it is sent throughout the diocese to over 1600 women.

Parish Center At St. Anthony's

A new \$170,000 parish center at St. Anthony's Church, Elmira, will be open to the public this Sunday, 2 to 5 p.m., and dedicated Tuesday, Oct. 6, by Bishop Kearney after Confirmation rites in the church.

Pictures and a description of the new structure are on page 11 of this issue of the Courier.

Father John Hayes Listed At First Friday Supper

The Rev. John S. Hayes, pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Elmira, will speak at the First Friday Supper, Oct. 2 at Columbus Center. Father Hayes' topic will be "Parochial Schools—Their Costs and Their Value."

The First Friday Supper, sponsored by Elmira Council Council Chancellor Daniel B. Burns is general chairman of the series.

Supper will be served at 6:15 with a committee of the Ladies of Columbus preparing and serving the home-style meal.

Cost for the supper is \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children. An invitation is issued to all families of the area.

THE SERIES will continue for nine first Fridays, each one featuring an outstanding area speaker and the home-style supper.

This will mark the third occasion Father Hayes has addressed the First Friday dinners.

FATHER JOHN HAYES

Junior Skips Year, Enters Notre Dame U.

John J. Hall, who completed his junior year at Notre Dame High School, Elmira, last June, has bypassed his last year of secondary education to enter Notre Dame University as a freshman this fall.

Most of the larger colleges and universities will accept a student from his junior year, provided that he has amassed the required number of credits and shows scholastic ability. Hall was advised by several college instructors to enter college this year instead of finishing high school.

Hall, who resides at 105 Durland Ave., Elmira, was recently named a semi-finalist in the National Merit Scholarship program for his outstanding performance on the National Merit Scholarship qualifying test given last March. He is one of two seminarians in Cheungung the last two summers in advance County.

The 16-year-old Hall has spent math classes at Assumption Preparatory School in Worcester, Mass. He studied introduction to analysis, number theory, and modern algebra in the six-week program this year. He has also taken two years of calculus in an evening course sponsored by Corning Community College.

Hall's brother Jerome, a junior at Notre Dame High, also participated in the program at Assumption this summer.

Sister M. Carmella, science department head at Notre Dame, expressed the views of faculty and administration at the high school.

"John is the first from our school to attempt this adventure in education, and we will look forward to excellent results. Notre Dame, Elmira wishes him the best at Notre Dame, Indiana."

Young Hall and his family are communicants of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Elmira.

25 Years Ago

(From files of Catholic Courier, Oct. 5, 1939)

Death of Cardinal George Mundelein, Archbishop of Chicago in that city saddened many in the Diocese of Rochester. Bishop Kearney who attended the funeral Mass issued a statement of mourning citing the Cardinal as the "great Apostle of Home Missions."

An imposing statue of St. Patrick over the entrance of St. Patrick's Church, Elmira was blessed by Bishop Kearney. The Bishop asked St. Patrick's blessing not only upon those who enter the church but on passers-by of all faiths. Statue was donated by Charles J. Alfred Timothy and William Mitchell.



MONTOUR SEMINARIANS Daniel Meyers of Mother of Sorrows Parish, Rochester and Tom Barret of Holy Trinity, Webster bid farewell to Brother Roch AuCoin of the Seminary staff leaving for mission work in Brazil.

Montour Friar Slated For Missions in Brazil

Brother Roch AuCoin, S.A., of the staff at St. John's Seminary in Montour Falls, has been assigned to the missions of his community in Jatai, Brazil. The Atonement Friars who operate the seminary in Montour Falls established a mission in Brazil last year.

The appointment of Brother Roch was made public to the seminarians by the Superior General of the Atonement Friars, the Very Rev. Bonaventura Koelster, during a visit to the seminary.

A NATIVE of Nova Scotia, Brother Roch entered the Atonement Friars at their headquarters, Graymoor, N.Y., in 1956. He was assigned to the Montour Falls Seminary in February of 1963.

Two of the seven friars presently assigned to the mission in Brazil were formerly on the faculty at Montour Falls. They are Father Leigh Martin and Father Martin Madison.

The Student Mission Club presented Brother Roch with a tape recorder and a donation to help him in his new work.

In addition, two other religious communities from the Diocese of Rochester are working in Jatai, Brazil. The Sisters of St. Joseph from Rochester and the Graymoor Sisters, who staff St. Mary's in Elmira, are already working in the Diocese of Jatai.

Squires Form New Circle in Hornell

Hornell — Eighteen boys were in the charter class of a Columbian Squires Circle that was instituted in Hornell recently under the auspices of Hornell Knights of Columbus Council.

GRAND KNIGHT Donald Scolliti has announced that the Rev. Gerald Cooney will serve as Father Prior of the new Squires unit. Herby H. Berry has been named Chief Counselor. Other members of the Hornell Knights of Columbus Council who will serve as Counsellors include Jack Mahoney Jr., John T. O'Rourke, Dennis M. Linehan and Paul R. Smith.

The Columbian Squires is the junior organization of the Knights of Columbus and has for its purpose the development of leadership from the ranks of Catholic boys of high school age.

At the present time there are approximately 30,000 members of the organization operating in more than 800 units throughout the United States, Canada, Mexico, Puerto Rico and the Philippines. The Columbian Squires is also an affiliate of the National Council of Catholic Chaplains in Washington, D.C.

Corning Unit Sets Program By Benedictine

Corning—A special speaking program, open to Protestants and Catholics alike, is being sponsored by the Corning Christian Family Movement at St. Mary's Parochial School next Sunday evening, Oct. 4, starting at 8 p.m.

GUEST SPEAKER will be Father Benedict Tighe, director of studies at Mount Saviour Monastery near Elmira, who will discuss "Pope Paul VI and the Ecumenical Movement." Coffee, tea and cookies will be served following the talk.

Father Benedict, who also, as director of oblates at Mount Saviour, supervises the program by which lay people and diocesan priests live outside the monastery community in order to continue their own professional or domestic activities, is well known for his activity in interfaith work in the Corning-Elmira area.

The speaker is a native of the Boston area and was educated in local schools. After graduation from Boston College in 1948, with additional graduate studies, he taught history for two years at St. Anselm's College in Manchester, N.H.

He received his monastic training in the Province of Quebec, and at Rome, studying philosophy and theology at the latter place. Father Tighe joined the Mount Saviour community in 1951.

Forty Hours

Sunday, Oct. 4—Annunciation, Holy Apostles, St. Andrew, St. Anne, Rochester, St. Alphonsus, Auburn; St. Patrick, Corning; Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Brockport; St. Charles Borromeo, Elmira Heights; St. Anthony, Groton; St. Patrick, Macedon; Sacred Heart, Perkasieville.

Family Retreats Foreseen At New Lakeside Center

Expansion of the three-day retreat movement to include retreats for married couples, and eventually for families, was forecast this week as the diocesan Laymen's Retreat League marked its golden jubilee by launching a campaign for a permanent retreat center.

Bishop James E. Kearney will be principal speaker at a special gifts committee kickoff at 8 p.m. tonight (Oct. 1) in Blessed Sacrament School Hall, Rochester.

Funds will be sought during the next four weeks for construction of a new Notre Dame Retreat Center overlooking Canandaigua Lake, to replace present quarters at 246 Alexander St., Rochester. Minimum campaign goal is \$500,000.

Besides facilities for married couples' retreats, the new center also provides for priests' retreats, with five permanent and 14 portable altars.

DESIGNED FOR completion late next year, the new Notre Dame Retreat House will be erected on a hill 300 feet above the lake, in West Lake Road, five miles south of Canandaigua. The 55-acre plot includes a wooded area and an orchard. It is expected that the lofty, secluded site will attract many more retreatants over the next few years.

The structure will have rooms for 156 individual retreatants—50 per cent greater capacity than the present Alexander Street building. There will be 40 double rooms and 76 single rooms, providing for a total of 78 husband-and-wife retreatants.

Focal point of the four-story building will be the chapel, in liturgical design to combine quiet dignity with simplicity. It will be entered along a promenade from the grand lounge, as well as from other points throughout the building.

Since the function of the building is to evoke spiritual meditation, the presence of the chapel will be made continually apparent from all other portions of the edifice.

THE BUILDING will take advantage both of the sloping terrain and of height. It will feature split-level characteristics,

with chapel, lounge and dining room all within a half-flight up and down. There will be an elevator.

The cross-topped chapel tower, to be lit at night, will rise 370 feet above lake level and will be seen for miles in most directions. The grand lounge, and ninety per cent of retreatant rooms, which will spiral from the chapel and wind around the lounge, will have wide lake views.

Ribbon & Roberts, Rochester architects, are designing the five-story edifice, which will feature poured-in-place reinforced concrete for the chapel, lounge, and dining room, and pre-cast concrete for the bedrooms.

Major portions of the building include the chapel, grand lounge, retreatant rooms, priests' quarters, dining room and kitchen, library, Bishop's suite, conference rooms, administration offices, custodian quarters and a garage.

There will be no entrance on the lake side of the building, in order to preserve the slope to the lake. Entrance will be from a nearby side road, with a roadway approaching the building from the rear or west side. Some land will be landscaped much, however, will be left in its rural state.

PLANNED FOR the wooded area in the rear are outdoor Stations of the Cross, meditation walks, grottos and shrines.

The site, which is reached from Canandaigua to the north and Naples to the south, will be away from sight or sound of traffic.

The Redemptorist Fathers, who have been conducting retreats for diocesan laymen for the last 22 years, have noted an increased interest in retreats during the last decade.

They have indicated that facilities of the new Retreat Center will be used not only for weekend retreats, but also for midweek retreats for particular groups, as well as for various diocesanwide functions such as Cans Conferences, special religious observances, diocesan work shops, etc.

The Rev. Michael G. Downing, C.S.S.R., is rector of Notre Dame Retreat House. Services with him as retreat masters are the Rev. William Jamison, C.S.S.R., the Rev. William Walsh, C.S.S.R., and the Rev. John Flick, C.S.S.R.

Thousands of men throughout the Diocese who have made retreats during the last three decades will be solicited for 30 month pledges toward construction of the proposed permanent building. The advance phase of campaign begins this weekend, with the general solicitation scheduled to start Oct. 19.

First weekend closed retreat was made by nearly 100 men in the summer of 1914 at St. Bernard's Seminary. Last year a total of 3,400 individuals made closed retreats at Notre Dame Retreat House. The Alexander Street property has outlived its usefulness, and will be sold to adjoining Genesee Hospital.

Ithaca CDA Lists Meet, Sets Events

Ithaca — Court Santa Maria No. 240, Catholic Daughters of America will hold its regular business meeting Tuesday, Oct. 6 at 8 p.m. in the Knights of Columbus Home.

Mrs. Frank Pecore Sr. and Mrs. Joseph Luccarelli will be hostesses for the coffee hour following the meeting.

MRS. PECORE will chair a bake sale to be held in parish hall Sunday, Oct. 11 after Masses. Members are asked to bring baked goods to parish hall Saturday evening, Oct. 10 from 7:30 to 9 p.m. or before Masses on Sunday.

On Tuesday, Oct. 13 Mrs. August Macali and Miss Helma Tuoli will chair the annual canned goods shower and dinner for the Sisters of St. Joseph. The lay teachers of Immaculate Conception school will also be guests. Members are asked to bring their own table service, rolls and a dish to pass. Meat and beverages will be furnished by the Court.

Following the dinner movies will be shown.

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