

Bishop Launches Drive For Retreat Center

Bishop James E. Kearney last week predicted success for the campaign for a new diocesan retreat center because it is the work of God and because it is under the special guidance of Our Lady, to whom the Notre Dame Retreat House is dedicated.

His Excellency was principal speaker at the special gifts committee kickoff meeting in Blessed Sacrament Hall to inaugurate the \$500,000 drive for construction of a permanent laymen's retreat house overlooking Canandaigua Lake.

Referring to "the first retreat of the followers of Christ" after the Crucifixion, the Bishop noted that "the Immaculate Mother of God assured and inspired them until the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost."

BISHOP KEARNEY stated that the proposed Notre Dame Retreat Center, to be erected next year on a hilltop on West Eske Road, five miles south of Canandaigua, will be more satisfactory than present facilities at 240 Alexander St., Rochester, and should attract a greater number of retreatants.

Frank E. Wolfe, general chairman of the campaign, presided at the meeting, attended by nearly 200 special gifts committee members from retreat houses in parishes throughout the 12 county diocese.

Speakers included the Very Rev. Michael R. Downing, C.S.R., Retreat House, rector; Rev. William Jamison, C.S.R., retreat master; Harold J. Coleman, special gifts chairman; Louis A. Langie Jr., head of the general solicitation committee; and Thomas Hughes, president of the diocesan laymen's retreat league.

COLEMAN ANNOUNCED that committee reports are scheduled next week as follows: Region I: Monroe County—Monday, Oct. 12, Notre Dame Retreat House, 8 p.m.; Region II: Cayuga, Wayne and Seneca counties; Tuesday, Oct. 13, K. of C. Hall, Auburn, 7:30 p.m.; Region IV: Chautauq, Schuyler, Tompkins and Tioga counties and the eastern half of Steuben

County, Wednesday, Oct. 14, St. Casimir's Church Hall, Elmira, 7:30 p.m.; Region III: Livingston, Ontario and Yates counties, and the western half of Steuben County; Thursday, Oct. 15, St. Mary's School Hall, Dansville, 7:30 p.m.

General solicitation committees, comprising nearly 1000 retreatants, will have their kickoff meetings during the week of Oct. 19, on the same days and in the same cities as listed above.



MONSIGNOR CHAUGLE

Alumni To Honor Rector

More than 500 alumni of St. Bernard's Seminary will honor Monsignor William T. Crayth, rector, at the school's bi-annual reunion, Oct. 13 and 14.

Bishop Kearney will offer Mass at the seminary chapel Wednesday, Oct. 14, at 10:30 a.m.

MONSIGNOR CHAUGLE, who is marking his fortieth anniversary in the priesthood this year, will leave after the alumni reunion for the Vatican Council in Rome.

He translated the Council's schema (agenda items) from Latin into English for the American bishops. The translated texts amount to a library of approximately 100 volumes. His entire priestly career has been identified with the seminary where he served as faculty member and, for the past 16 years, as rector.

Other reunion events will include a business meeting following the Bishop's Mass, a noon dinner and small group discussions on forthcoming liturgical changes and pastoral administrative methods.



New Convent For Nuns At Notre Dame, Elmira

Construction of the new Notre Dame Convent on lower Maple Ave., Elmira, will begin within the next week. It was announced Oct. 1 by Mother Mary Bride, Mother General of the Sisters of Mercy, and Etakel and Connor, architects.

Bids were opened Sept. 30, and were awarded as follows: general: Welliver Construction Company, \$324,000; heating and ventilation: American Warming Company, \$42,740; plumbing: American Warming Company, \$37,688; electrical: Cruz Electric Company, \$38,967. Total cost is \$463,395. The chapel was not included in the bids.

Other bidders included: general: Iverson Construction Company, \$427,975; McLane Construction Company, \$331,950; Smith, Langhans and McLaughlin Construction Company, \$394,482; heating and ventilation: C. R. Evans Corporation, \$46,449; Hoeg-Nichols Inc., \$52,778; Shriner Plumbing and Heating Company, \$43,889; plumbing: C. R. Evans, \$35,522; Hoeg-Nichols, \$61,730; Shriner Plumbing and Heating, \$63,200; electrical: Box Electric Company, \$21,945; Cady Electric Company, \$43,392; G. H. and J. T. Kelly Electric Company, \$44,217; Terwilliger Electric Company, \$40,870.

The new Notre Dame Convent will be equipped with facilities for thirty-five Sisters. According to Mother Mary Bride, it will serve as a center for all of the Sisters of Mercy in the Southern Tier area. The Rochester Sisters of Mercy community is defraying four-fifths of the cost of the building; the Elmira parishes are contributing the remainder.

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Consulting engineer for the architects is Edward Fessler of Syracuse.

St. Michael's Mission Hosts Scout Retreat

Twenty parishes of the Rochester Diocese were represented when four hundred Boy Scouts and Leaders registered for the annual retreat weekend at St. Michael's Mission, Divine Word Seminary at Conesus last weekend.

Of special interest to the boys was the opportunity to talk to the priests, Fraters and Brothers in an informal atmosphere. Many states and foreign countries are represented by the Religious assigned to the Seminary.

According to Joseph Cestaro, retreat chairman, units from Rochester, Buffalo, Elmira, Bath, Corning, Dunkirk and Wayland participated in one of the most successful programs to date. Prior arrangements were made with the rector, Father Chester Nowicki.

Dennis Andrew Merritt with John O'Brien, past chairman of the Catholic Committee on Scouting, sponsors of the Retreat, were supported by staff members, Dennis Merritt Jr., Thomas Merritt, James Langdon and Doug Langdon.

THE RETREATANTS enjoyed camp on Friday evening and after-dinner preparations and instructions began the full day program on Saturday by offering Mass and Communion for the success of the retreat.

All units attending, slept in tents and prepared meals over regulation fire pits and grills.

A portable altar, under the protection of the pavilion built by the Mission Brothers, was used to accommodate the large attendance.

St. John of Rochester with St. Andrew's and St. Monica's parishes were cited for their attendance record. Each unit represented more than thirty people.

Conferees at the retreat held throughout the day followed by confession, Mass and the blessed sacrament through the processions and visiting the shrines and Stations of the Cross.

Plans are already under way for the promotion of next year's Retreat. Scout Leaders will be encouraged to invite the fathers of Scouts to participate. The theme, "A Day with Dad at the Mission," will be used.

In the evening, a most unusual candle light procession in the form of a Rosary was followed by the lighting of hundreds of candles as voices raised in reciting the Rosary prayers.

By special permission, Religious Brothers, and Fraters were allowed to join the Scouts and leaders in a camping song fest and "hoopla" entertainment.

Scouts were awakened Sunday to attend Mass and Communion in Thanksgiving and receive the Papal Blessing.

After breakfast, Fraters and Brothers, on duty, toured throughout the Mission farm and buildings to show the Retreatants and visitors the self-sufficient Raymond DiPasquale. The contained units that make up Rev. Dominic Grisco is now the educational background for council chaplains.

Father Coonan Given Chalice

Mr. Morris — The Rev. John L. Coonan, past chairman of the Morris Council of the Knights of Columbus, was presented a chalice as a gift from the council at the recent fall meeting.

Father Coonan is now chaplain of St. James Mercy Hospital in Hornell. Lawrence Valentino, grand knight, made the presentation assisted by district deputy Raymond DiPasquale. The Rev. Raymond Grisco is now the educational background for council chaplains.

Plans for the chapel are as yet incomplete. Bids will be ready by spring, 1965. Sisters Mary Lisette and Sister Mary Eric of the Rochester Sisters of Mercy are at present working on the design.

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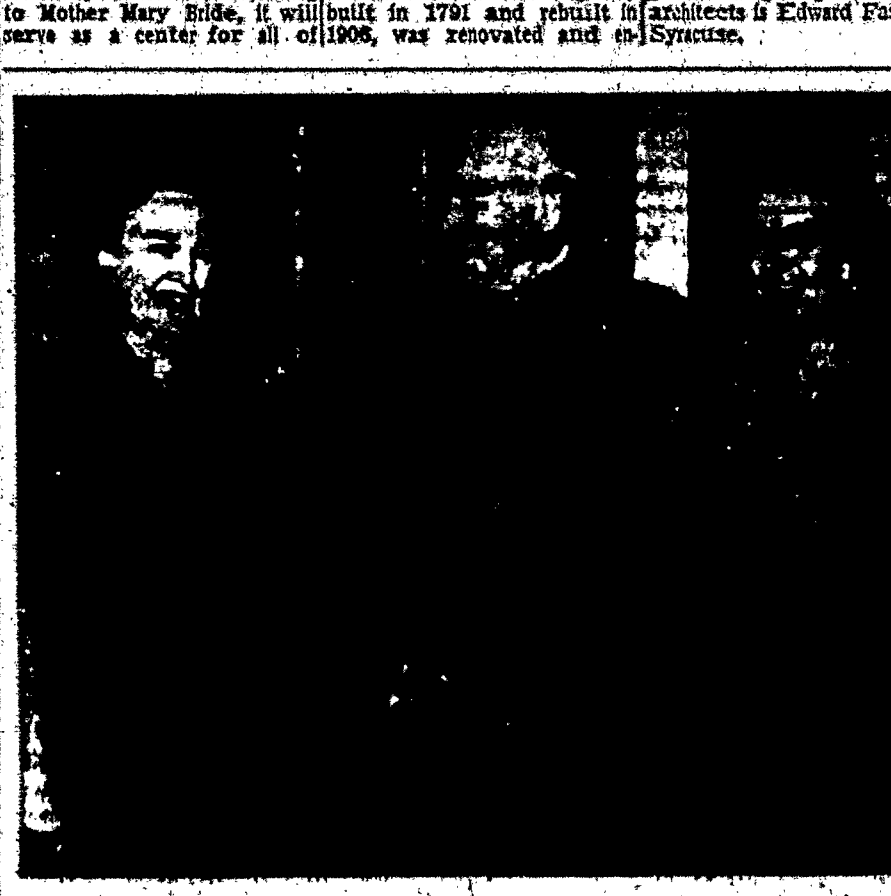
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Bishop Kearney chats with Mrs. Isabel Powers and Mrs. Peggy Grillo, leaders of CYO membership drive launched Wednesday, Sept. 30. Story for report, see page 8.

Nazareth Opens Series

A noted Georgetown University scholar and author will open Nazareth College's 1964-65 public lecture series tonight (Thursday, October 8) at 8 p.m. in the college auditorium.

Dr. Riley Hughes, associate professor of English at Georgetown and director of that university's Writers Conference, will speak on "A New Look for Religious Fiction." He will also direct special class discussions at the college today and tomorrow.

Among the programs listed during the beginning of the school year are:

October 7—An Antiqua presentation of "The Games of Siena: Music and Entertainment at the Time of Galileo." Members of the well-known local society which specializes in presenting music and art from previous periods of history, will reveal aspects of Italian society in which Galileo played a major role.

October 23, 29—Rev. James A. Weisheipl, O.P. will deliver two lectures: the first will be on "Philosophy and the Two Cultures," a discussion of the popular thesis of C. P. Snow; the second will be on "Galileo and Intellectual Integrity." Rev. Weisheipl is associate editor of the New Catholic Encyclopedia and Professor of the Pontifical Faculty of Philosophy at Aquinas Institute, River Forest, Ill.

November 12—Miss Cecily Hastings will discuss "Freedom and Catholic Higher Education." Miss Hastings is on the staff of Sheed and Ward publisher, the

Catholic Herald and the Catholic Worker. She is a Catholic Evidences/Guilda speaker in London.

This year's emphasis on Galileo in the lecture program is in honor of his quadricentennial.

A special auxiliary activity of the lecture program is the introduction this year of Faculty-Student Coffee Hour. These will be held every other week and will include discussions on contemporary topics such as the presidency, political issues in 1964, censorship, and the role of woman.

25 Years Ago

(From files of Catholic Courier, Oct. 12, 1939)

Consecration of a new burial ground and blessing of the graves in St. Joseph's Cemetery, followed by Bishop Kearney was followed by an address by the Bishop.

"A Mass in Honor of the Holy Name of Jesus" was dedicated to Bishop Kearney by the canon, Philip G. Kroedel, nationally known Rochester organist and choirmaster. It was announced in "Fischer" Edition News.

Newly formed Holy Name Men's Club was organized in St. Stephen's Parish, Geneva to advance the social, spiritual and community activities of that parish.

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Cornerstone for New Church

Bishop Kearney blessed the cornerstone for new St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Irondequoit, Sunday afternoon. Monsignor Richard K. Buras and parish trustee Donald Robinson, left, assisted the Bishop in the rite. The new church is nearing completion at the corner of St. Paul Blvd. and Colebrook Drive.

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