

Thanksgiving Collection

Clothing Drive Tops '63 Total

The 16th annual Thanksgiving Clothing Collection for the needy of the world, conducted during the week of Nov. 15 in 139 parishes and two institutions of the Rochester Diocese, amassed a record total of 565,580 pounds of usable clothing...

THE PROMOTION of the Thanksgiving Clothing Collection was entrusted by Bishop Kearney to the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women...

The previous record of 564,598 pounds was established in 1963 by contributions from 142 parishes. "These impressive figures represent the generous response of thousands of parishioners to the urgent request of Bishop Kearney that we strive to aid those in need..."

The nationwide collection, begun in 1949, is conducted by Catholic Relief Services, the relief and rehabilitation agency of the U.S. Catholic bishops...



Rose Alice Milliken (left) and Mrs. Jean Milliken look over mementoes of African trip. In background are picture painted by a young African (left) and a lithograph of a charging elephant herd.

Elmirans Home Again

Christmas in Tanzania

Christmas in a land on the other side of the world, with the thermometer reading 85°, proved to be a memorable experience for Mrs. Jean M. Milliken and her daughter Rose, of 712 1/2 West Water Street, Elmira.

The Millikens have just returned from six weeks of travel totalling 20,000 miles. They spent over a month visiting Father Damian Milliken, O.S.B. who is stationed at St. Benedict's Seminary in Namupa, Tanzania, East Africa.

Midnight Mass was celebrated at the seminary by Father Damian, with one other priest and two brothers assisting with the singing. Since the seminarians were still on their two-month vacation, the congregation was small.

Mrs. Milliken and her daughter helped give a festive air to the recreation room by decorating it and setting up a small Christmas tree, one of the pine trees Father Damian had planted. The crib was unique, with African carvings donated by the various staff members...

at Morogoro at the Benedictine mission. Father Damian and Rose visited his grave on December 31, and learned the details of his death and funeral from the priest stationed there. He told them that the people waited at the police station for four hours to escort the body to the church, and a large group sang the requiem and decorated both the coffin and the grave with flowers...

He blew his whistle when the animals came too close, and this stopped them. The guide explained that there was a "toto," baby elephant with the herd which the others were trying to protect, but that they were afraid of the sound of the whistle, so there was no reason to be frightened.

After thirty hours in the air, the travellers arrived safely at Chemungu County Airport, January 4. Mrs. Milliken admitted to being very happy to be home, though she was thrilled to see her son again after four long years. Rose plans to return to Tanzania eventually, to work in a small hospital near the seminary where Father Damian is stationed.

They are firmly convinced that Father is happy in his work; loves the people very much, and would not want to leave them. "This is my home; these are my people," is the way he sums it up.

African Leaders Praised By Maryknoll Missioner

Native leaders in Tanzania (formerly Tanganyika) are accomplishing more for the people than the British did, according to a Maryknoll missioner, recently returned from six years in Africa.

Father George D. Daley, of the Bronx, N.Y., who has been pastor in Busanda, Diocese of Shinyanga, Tanzania, since 1958, made his comments during a stopover in Rochester last week on a promotion tour for his mission society.

The Maryknoller said that great progress has been made in the matter of farm cooperatives, schools and dress for the natives. The Africans give their own leaders much stricter than the British about fines and imprisonment, he said, and so native cooperation has improved considerably.

Father Daley's area is for the most part agricultural and his catechetical center trains leaders not only in religion, but in land cultivation, use of fertilizer, hygiene, finance and civics.

The custom of the "cow dowry" in marriage was explained by Father Daley. It seems that among his people if the husband pays a dowry of cows to his bride's father, then the children born of the marriage belong to him. If the husband is too poor to pay the dowry, any children of the marriage belong exclusively to the mother.

Asked about native reaction to the revolution and atrocities in the Congo, Father Daley commented that his people don't know nor are they interested in what goes on even 25 miles away.

The missioner paid tribute to the fifteen praesidia of the Legion of Mary in his own parish which are responsible for adult baptisms increasing from 25 to an average of 275 a year. His parish cares for 35 leprosy patients who live in the mission compound and some 300 who come regularly for treatment by African nurses trained to care for them.

Father Daley also has a parish council of laymen who act as advisers and critics for parish policies.

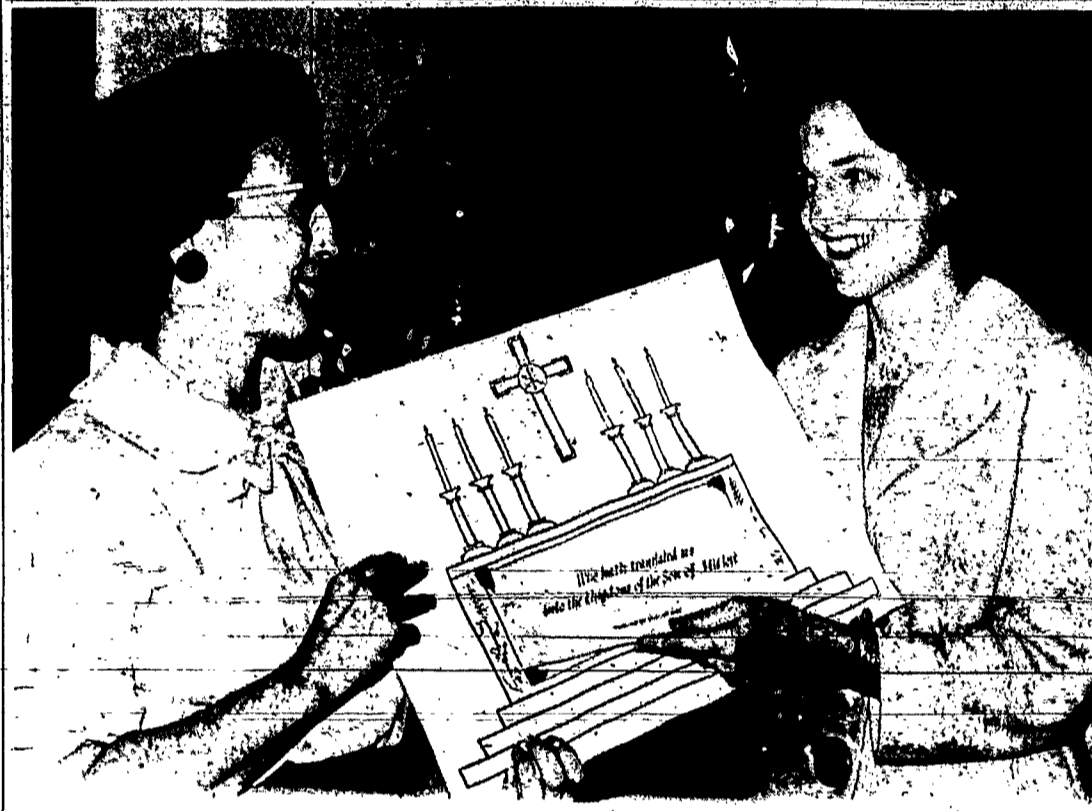
Raymond J. Kelly of Detroit, national commander of the American Legion was listed to speak in Rochester. A classmate of his at Notre Dame University, Grand Knight Joseph P. Flynn of Rochester Council, Knights of Columbus was to head a delegation of the knights greeting Kelly.

Bernard Florack, vice president of the Social Justice Club of Rochester declared that the local club was in no way connected with the "radical" Christian Front, a national organization of the time.

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These two women aid in deepening the spiritual life of women of the Rochester Diocese. Mrs. Gerard Kelly and Mrs. Everett Murphy are co-chairmen of the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Spiritual Development Committee.

Helping Each Person To Be a Better 'You'

Two Rochester area women who are not afraid to "get involved" are the co-chairmen of the Spiritual Development Committee of the Monroe County Council of Catholic Women. Mrs. Gerard (Ruth) Kelly and Mrs. Everett (Millie) Murphy. While each stresses that her most important interest is her husband and children, neither has hesitated to give generously of her time and energy to parish and civic activities.

Millie Murphy, emphasizing that the Spiritual Development Committee is "the backbone of every committee," defines its object: "to help each person to be a better 'you' — through small, daily means."

In their role of co-chairmen of this committee, Mrs. Kelly and Mrs. Murphy are currently planning to present a panel discussion Tuesday, Jan. 19 at St. Augustine parish hall on the topic, "The Vatican Council, the Parish, and You."

THE PANELISTS will be Father William Shannon, professor of Theology at Nazareth College, Mrs. Robert Waterman, past president of the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women, and Mrs. John O'Brien, vice president of the D.C.C.W.

And what do these two busy women do in their "spare

Homeowners Ass'n. and has served the D.C.C.W. in the past as both auditor and assistant treasurer.

Millie's answer to "what can one woman do?" is to act. In October, when the Chamber of Commerce announced their plans for decorating the downtown business area for the Christmas season, Millie wrote to urge them to leave the decorations in place through Twelfth Night, in the true spirit of Christmas. She received a letter back stating that because of one woman's effort, her suggestion had been considered and agreed upon.

After reading about this League, Mrs. Kelly approached her pastor on the subject; now, every Wednesday, the Blessed Sacrament is exposed in St. Thomas Apostle Church, and there is always someone scheduled to be present for adoration.

Some of Ruth's other interests are in her parish Mother's Circle, Rosary Society, and Cub Scouts — she is Den Mother for what she finds a "very ecumenical group" since the Den Chief is of Jewish faith.

Millie Murphy has two children attending Sacred Heart Academy and a sixteen-month-old on the home front. Besides giving piano lessons and doing her husband's book-keeping, she has been in Girl Scouting for six years, is Secretary of her

Sisters Stay Overnight In Test Fallout Shelter

For the past six weeks, five of the faculty of Notre Dame High School, Elmira, have been taking a course in connection with the local civilian defense program.

Sisters Mary Deelan, Jane Frances, Coronata and Johanna and Mrs. Harold Fisher are enrolled in the Shelter Management Instructors' Course, which is open to representatives of schools, airports, banks and those engaged in the fields of welfare and recreation.

As part of the requirements of the course, the five Notre Dame faculty members participated in an eighteen-hour shelter drill this past weekend. They entered the fallout shelter at Civilian Defense headquarters at 8 p.m. Friday and stayed until noon on Saturday. The twenty-five group members unanimously elected Allie E. Quatrano as shelter manager.

Each person in the shelter was responsible for specific duties pertaining to the safety and comfort of the whole group. Class members had seen special movies at their Tuesday meetings which dealt with the biological, psychological and physiological effects of shelter life.

Commenting on the drill, Sister M. Deelan said "It proved to be an invaluable experiment not only in survival, but in good humor, gracefulness and consideration for others."

Unity Octave At St. Michael's

The Chair of Unity Octave will be observed at St. Michael's Church, Rochester, Jan. 18 to 26.

Mass will be offered for religious unity each evening at 7:30 p.m. Prayers for unity and a sermon are also scheduled for each evening. (Instead of Mass at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 24, a Prayer for Unity service will be held at 4 p.m.)

The public is invited to the Octave devotions.

Pioneer Nun, Trinitarian Dies

Reverend Mother Mary of the Incarnate Word, a former Custodian General of the Missionary Servants of the Most Blessed Trinity died on Dec. 22 in Philadelphia.

Mother Mary of the Incarnate Word was the former Mary Rahley of Maryland, Conn. She was a teacher in the public school system and mediator of the lay apostolate movement known as the Missionary Circle Apostolate of the New England Region before entering the Missionary Servants of the Most Blessed Trinity.

Mother Mary of the Incarnate Word entered the pioneer community of her order in 1922.

Mother served as local superior in Alabama and Washington, D. C. She came to the community's motherhouse in Philadelphia in 1931 and was named the second Custodian General of the order, a position she held for twelve years.

In the Diocese of Rochester, the Missionary Servants of the Most Blessed Trinity are engaged in the Fraternity of Christian Doctrine program and social service work. The Sisters are presently working in Rochester and Lyons. This community is dedicated to training lay apostles in every area where they work.

Penn Yan Seeks Increased Giving

Penn Yan—Renovation of the exterior of St. Michael's church here marked the inauguration of an increased weekly income campaign among parishioners, according to an announcement by Very Rev. Msgr. Joseph J. Sullivan, Pastor.

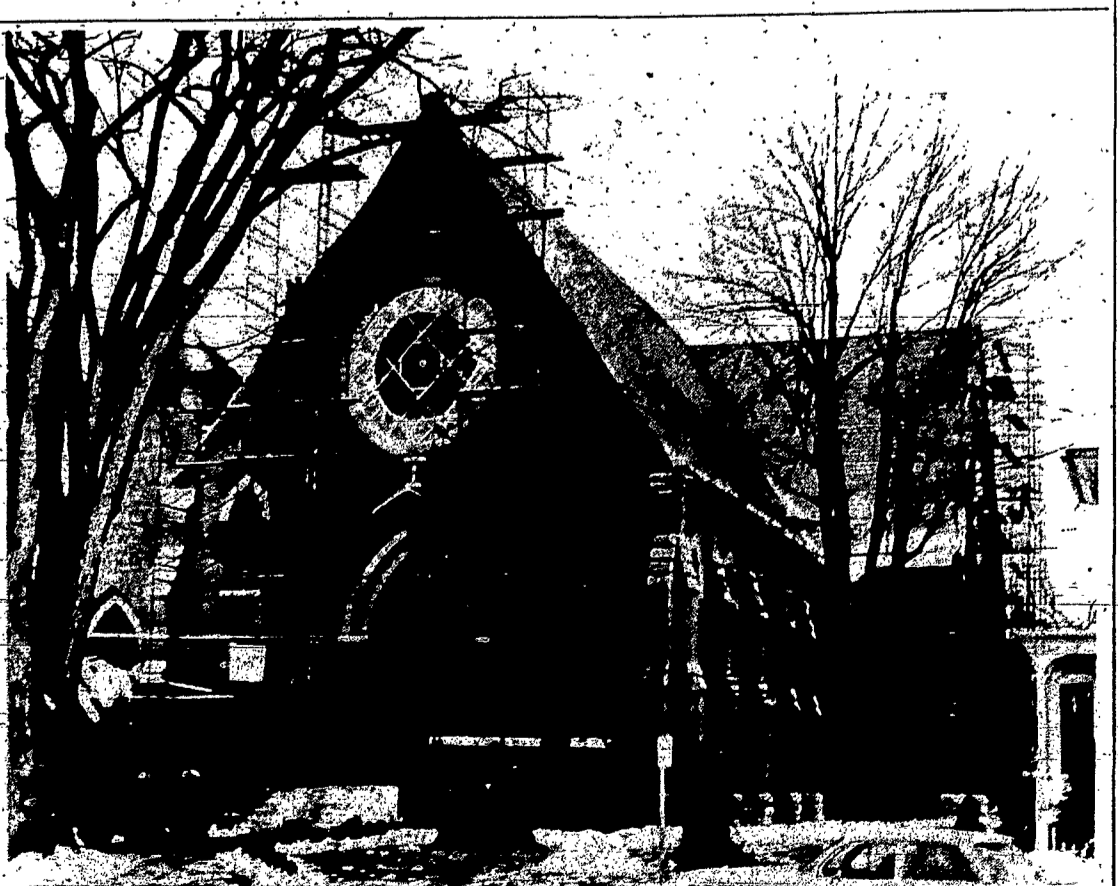
The work on the edifice, which is nearing completion, consisted of masonry repairs, replacing of brick, pointing, sandblasting and waterproofing. It is the first extensive repair to the exterior of the sixty-three year old building.

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