

St. Martin de Porres Center, Renovated, Opens

The remodeled and redecorated St. Martin de Porres Center at 537 Clinton Avenue North, will open formally this Sunday, June 20, according to Mrs. Margaret Muchard, director and executive secretary of the center.

A Mass of Thanksgiving will be offered at 5 p.m. that day in St. Brigid's for all friends and patrons of the center, followed by an Open House at the center.

Started two years ago in a store front, the center's expanded facilities will take in an adjoining store front, a second floor and a basement. Originally established to serve the Puerto Rican people, it has since opened its arms to all the residents of the area.

More than 50 volunteers work with Mrs. Muchard, founder of the center, in a varied program of tutoring, recreation, crafts, music and club activities. Catechetics and individual counselling have also been offered to youngsters and adults who live in the neighborhood.

The St. Martin de Porres Center has recently been named one of the inner-city "Lighted Schoolhouse" centers. As such it will be a location for after-school educational courses stemming from the government Anti-poverty program.



Classmates of 1920

Classmates of St. Bernard's Seminary ordained in 1920 marked their 45th anniversary at a dinner for clergy at St. John's parish hall, Elmira, Tuesday, June 1. Monsignor Robert Keleher is pastor of St. Charles Borromeo Church, Greece; Rev. William Hayes, chaplain at the Dominican Convent, Elmira, and Monsignor Francis J. Lane, retired chaplain of Elmira Reformatory.



New Slate at St. Anthony's

INSTALLATION CEREMONIES and banquet of the Sacred Heart Ladies Society of St. Anthony's parish, Elmira, was held last Sunday in the Center. In the photo, Mrs. Ben D'Aloisio, retiring president is shown turning over records to Mrs. Francis Hurley, incoming president as Rev. William A. Burns, extreme left and Mrs. John DiStefano extreme right, banquet chairman, look on. Other officers are Mrs. Joseph Santucci, vice president; Mrs. LaVerne Osborn, corresponding secretary; Mrs. John Mirando, financial secretary and Mrs. Joseph Petti, treasurer.

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New Orleans — (NC) — There'll be no more formal graduation ceremonies for elementary and junior high schools in the New Orleans archdiocese.

And that goes, too, for extended graduation trips, proms and class rings.

The idea behind the prohibitions, it was explained, is to save money for parents and impress on the students that neither 8th grade nor junior high school education should be considered the end of schooling.

The committee recommended that instead the graduates assist at Mass and receive Holy Communion on the last day of school.

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Because of the generosity of many private pool owners, the C.Y.O. will conduct swimming programs this summer for boys and girls, ages five and up, in 19 outdoor pools. Registrations are now being accepted for these classes. Instruction is given at all skill levels with particular emphasis on "beginner" classes. Classes are limited in size to insure the best possible teaching conditions and all lessons are to be taught by qualified American Red Cross Water Safety instructors and aides. At the conclusion of each eight lesson course, students receive signed progression cards and swim suit badges in recognition of the progress made.

Three outdoor life saving classes have been scheduled and special adult lessons are also to be conducted for non-swimmers as well as for those requiring instruction in more advanced phases of swimming and diving. The purpose of this program is to make swimming instruction and knowledge of the elements of water safety readily accessible by offering such training at neighborhood sites.

Private pools being donated for this program are those owned by: Mr. and Mrs. James Adams, Hollyvale Drive; Mr. and Mrs. James Butler, Glenmont Drive; Mr. and Mrs. John Boyce, Middle Road, Henrietta; Mr. and Mrs. Edward T. Carson, Beach Avenue; Dr. and Mrs. Michael DiRoberto, Orchard Park Boulevard; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hanford, Clover Street; Mr. and Mrs. David Hetrick, St. Paul Boulevard; Mr. and Mrs. William Howe, Grosvenor Road;

Also: Mr. and Mrs. Gar Lester, Vinedale Avenue; Mr. and Mrs. Nick Lisena, Clinton Avenue South; Mr. and Mrs. J. Robert Maney, Felham Road; Dr. and Mrs. Nicolas Nicosia, Newcastle Road; Dr. and Mrs. Charles Noonan, Edgemere Drive; Mrs. Robert Pease, Weymouth Drive; Dr. and Mrs. Anthony Pizzarelli, Yarmouth Road; Mr. and Mrs. Donald Poland, Bogen Parkway; Mr. and Mrs. L. James Shaw, East Avenue; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sparacino, Arbondale Avenue; and Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Tobin, Beck Beach Road.

Further information and registrations may be acquired by contacting Mrs. Helen Smith at the C.Y.O. office—50 Chestnut St.—454-2030.

Pope Blesses Deaf Mutes

Vatican City — (NC) — Pope Paul VI received a group of young deaf mutes and their teachers and told the latter that their work is irreplaceable and precious, worthy of being honored by the human family.

To merit this honor, the Pope told the teachers, "it is sufficient to think of the gift of speech which has been given to communicate to your pupils by your experience and ability and hope."

"You lead them from the painful isolation in which nature has placed them to the happiness of being able to communicate with the world around them, of being able to understand and make others understand the wealth of sentiments which are their own, and the torment of the ones suffering."



Aprons For County Fair

SEWING COLORFUL APRONS for the Apron Booth of the St. Pius X Country Fair, to be held on June 19-20, are Mrs. James Fraser (standing) and Mrs. Louis Sommers. A Beef Bar-B-Q will be served from 5-7 p.m. on Saturday, and from 2-7 p.m. on Sunday, at the Chill Ave. church grounds.

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Catholic 'Pressure' Blocks California Abortion Bid

Sacramento — (RNS) — Legislation to legalize abortions in California was defeated here by what the author of the measure called "tremendous pressure" by the Catholic Church.

The bill—Ehrlid in four years to be rejected—was returned to an interim study committee for a two-year period.

Assemblyman Anthony C. Beilensen (D-Beverly Hills) did not even call for a vote so as "not to embarrass anybody" when he realized the 21-member Ways and Means Committee would not pass it.

His bill would have allowed hospitals to establish therapeutic abortion committees to pass on individual cases where the pregnancy resulted from rape or incest, the child was likely to be born defective, or the physical or mental health of the mother might be impaired. It would have given California the most liberal abortion law in the country.

In May the abortion bill was passed by the Assembly Committee on Criminal Procedure by a vote of 7-3.

A number of Protestant and Jewish clergy favored the measure, including Episcopal Bishop James A. Pike of California, who personally testified at the final hearing.

No member of the Roman Catholic hierarchy testified against the measure, although Father Timothy O'Brien, San Francisco archdiocesan assistant director of Catholic Charities, made a statement that California's Roman Catholic bishops and the Catholic Hospital Association were opposed to it.

During committee hearings, legislators heard testimony that the current law, which allows abortion only to save the life of the mother, is loosely interpreted by many doctors.

Dr. Ralph Campbell, told of a survey he helped conduct to determine actual practices in non-Catholic California hospitals.

Eleven hypothetical cases were set up—some justified by the present law, some questionable, and others clearly illegal.

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"We found something to our surprise," Dr. Campbell told the Criminal Procedure Committee last July in San Francisco. "There never was a case that wouldn't be done in at least one hospital, if not all of them."

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Rosary leaders for the coming week will be:

Friday, June 18—Representative of 3rd Order, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel.

Saturday, June 19 (Mass will be celebrated)—Frank Lioi, Our Lady-of-Good-Counsel.

Sunday, June 20—John McGuire, St. John's (Humboldt St.)

Monday, June 21—Representative of Commandery No. 28, Knights of St. John.

Tuesday, June 22—Raymond Nary, St. John's (Humboldt St.)

Wednesday, June 23—Representative of St. Andrew's Holy Name Society.

Thursday, June 24—Representative of Rochester Products Co.

Whole Contest List

May Winners in Area

A 28 lb. lake trout caught by Gerald Schneider of Rochester and three northern pike, each well over 25 lbs., taken from Sacandaga Reservoir by three Herkimer natives, featured the May segment of the Louis A. Wehle-Memorial Fishing Contest according to word from headquarters received this week.

Schneider's "lunker" came out of Hemlock Lake near the town of Hemlock and measured 36 inches long with a 25 inch girth. It scaled an even 28 pounds—less than two pounds from the record for the contest.

Other six winners include: Walleye pike—Edward Defendorf, 4 Bonnie Lynn Terr., Auburn—and Joseph Madden, 7 Elm St., Rochester. Pickrel—Mary A. Slarr, 174 Ontario St.; Henry Van Dongen, 4754 W. Lake Rd., both of Canandaigua, and Richard L. Sheets, 90 S. Union St., and Percy Phillips, 602 Delaware St., at Rochester. Parents: Christine Schick, RD 2, Naples and Michael A. Bisky.

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