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Summer Here . . .

Young artists sketch the Veterans Memorial Bridge spanning the Genesee River as part of a summer enrichment program conducted by the Sisters of St. Joseph. Pictures and story, page six.



A weeping mother cradles her baby in a South Vietnam village as troops search for Viet Cong. The village underwent a three day siege of bombs, rockets and fire.

In Selma

The Tears of Christ

The crucifixion continues.

That is the conviction of a priest who was ousted from his parish in Selma, Alabama.

Father Maurice Ouellet told students at St. Michael's College in Vermont that "the Body of Christ is no more comfortable now than it was when it hung from the Cross."

— He said he was brought up as a youngster in a parish that was "well organized, well ordered, nourished, clean, calm and comfortable" but when he became a priest and was assigned to Selma he learned that many Christians, who form a vast portion of the Church, the Body of Christ in the world today, are "disorganized, devoid of order, hungry, dirty. . ."

That, he said, is when "I found the uncomfortable Christ."

"In that part of Christ's Body, called Selma, I held the

hand of the uncomfortable Christ, that of a minister trembling with fear, but bursting with courage. I saw the face of the uncomfortable Christ, that of a boy beaten, scarred externally and internally by the fists of men's hate. I saw the sad eyes of the uncomfortable Christ, those of a man filled with the frustration of despair for himself and his children," Father Ouellet said.

"I saw the tears of Christ, those of parents panicked by fear for their children. I heard the cries of Christ, those of a people jeered at, bruised, gassed and in pain. I saw the blood of Christ, that of a little girl, His blood became her blood, as it poured from her head onto the side of my face," he said.

Six Sisters of St. Joseph from the Rochester Diocese staff Good Samaritan Hospital in Selma.

Alabama's Archbishop Thomas J. Toolen told Father Ouellet's superiors to transfer him from Selma following civil rights demonstrations there earlier this year.



FATHER HANNA

FATHER MCFARLAND

FATHER LAWLOR

Three Priests Named To New Assignments

Bishop Kearney appointed three priests of the Rochester Diocese to new duties this week. The assignments, effective Tuesday, August 17, at 6 p.m., as announced today by the Chancery, are:

— Rev. Bernard C. Hanna, who has been on sick leave for the past six months, will resume his pastorate at St. James Church, Trumansburg.

— Rev. Eugene H. McFarland, who has been in charge of that parish during Father Hanna's illness, is named pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Macedon.

— Rev. James Lawlor, assistant pastor at St. Helen's Church, Gates, will be assistant chancellor of the Diocese.

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New Rites 'Mean So Much More'

A Long Way In Short Time

The following article by Auxiliary Bishop Lawrence B. Casey, titled "The New English Text of the Missal," is reprinted from the August 1 parish bulletin of Sacred Heart Cathedral:

There is a divided opinion about the new English text used at Mass; some like it, some don't. Personally, we like it, and the vast majority of the lay people we have questioned prefer it to the old version.

Some believe, and perhaps with reason, that the new text is too colloquial and that some words or phrases like "may follow" lack the dignity associated with Sacred Scripture. This, however, is a minor flaw. The people listening to the Living Word of God at Mass can understand the modern text better than archaic words of the old text.

Some, however, like the new text because it is more understandable and often more meaningful. The new text is not an exception. Contrary to the claims made by some critics, the biblical scholars who worked on the translation were not careless or indifferent about literary effect; however, their major concern was to provide the people with a text which they could understand.

"If, as the Constitution of the Sacred Liturgy asserts, Christ reveals Himself here and now to man through the liturgy, the signs through which the Word of God comes to man must be meaningful to man here and now. Those whose approach to liturgy is essentially esthetic rather than theological or pastoral may well prefer the archaic English of the older translation, but they should keep in mind that the major concern of the biblical scholar is to translate the original text as well as possible.

"No claim has been made that the Confraternity translation is a definitive translation; however, the critics who understand what the biblical scholars attempted to do and who know the difficulties underlying their task admit that they have come up with a text which is fresh and vital."

The Latin Orations

There has been criticism about the Latin orations (the collect prayers). The Liturgy of the Word is now in English. Why have Latin orations to confuse the people? According to the Sacred Constitution of the Liturgy, the orations of the Mass were to be in Latin. The intention here was to introduce the vernacular gradually into the Mass.

As soon as the new English missals are printed (and we do not know when this will be), the orations will also be in English. Let's hope it is soon. These orations are perfect prayers; they say a lot in a little, and the devotion of the people will be increased by having them in the vernacular.

To sum up, it is easy to carp at the flaws in the present Liturgy. However, if we have the wider view, we find that the plus signs vastly outweigh the minus signs. Who could have dreamed five years ago that all these liturgical changes would take place?

The bishops and the priests have come a long way in a short time, educating their people to take an active part in their common worship of God. The Mass and the administration of the Sacraments now mean so much more to the people and they feel closer to God.

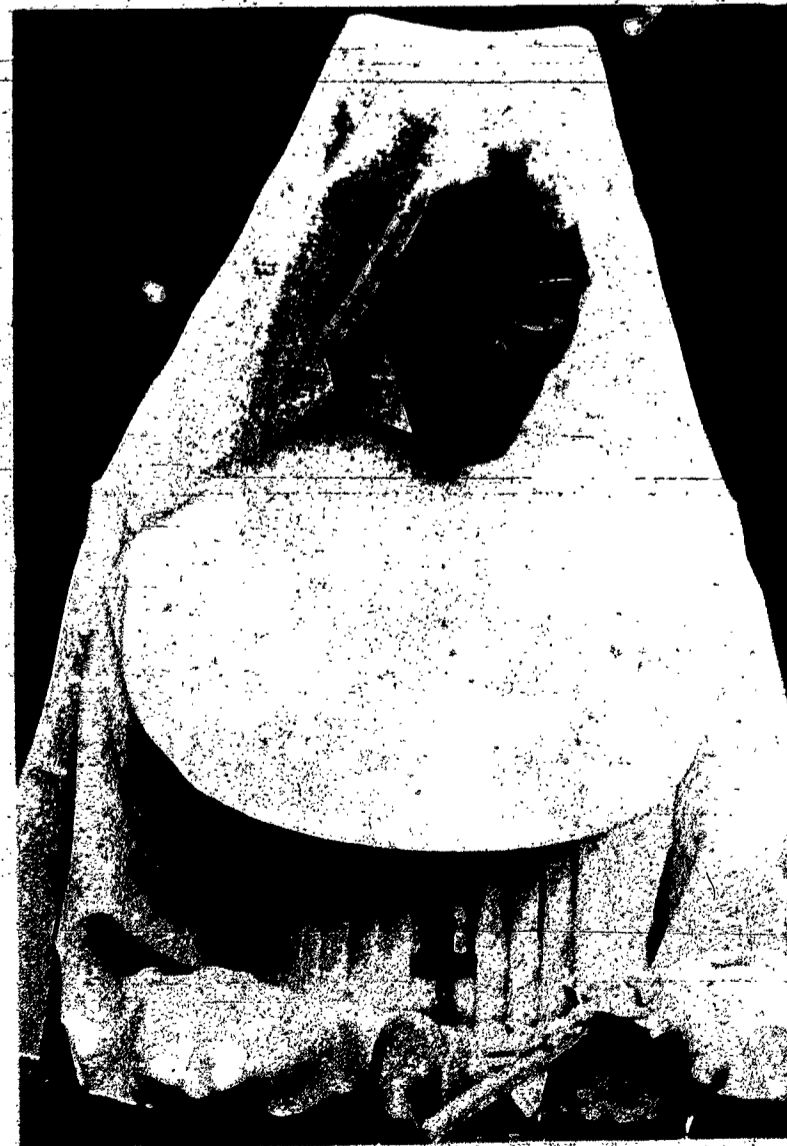
Much of the credit for this transformation in our section of the Church, humanly speaking, goes to the priests of this diocese. As a group, they are reading the Scriptures as they are meant to be read, slowly and with the reverence due to the Living Word of God, and this has made a deep impression on the people and freshened their faith.



Two Nuns Join Mission Companions in Brazil

Bishop Kearney blessed and then gave two mission crosses to Sisters Loyola and Jogues at departure rites at the Motherhouse Chapel of the Sisters of St. Joseph Saturday evening. The two nuns arrived in Brazil Monday morning to join four nuns of the order at a year-old mission in Jatal in southern Brazil. In his talk, the Bishop referred to the religious names of the nuns—Loyola, founder of the Jesuits, and Jogues, famed seventeenth century Jesuit missionary in New York State—as indicative

that "the Holy Spirit prepared the setting for this moment when these nuns knelt as postulants to receive the religious garb and name they would leave for the rest of their lives." He urged the congregation to "reach across a hemisphere" to aid them in their mission work by prayer and interest in their apostolic labors. Sister Jogues receives her cross from the Bishop in left photo and in pensive moment after the rite, Sister Loyola ponders its significance.



Asteroid on Way to Earth Impact

Vatican City — (RNS) — Scientists at the Vatican Observatory are working closely with scientists in many other countries in seeking to determine the precise area in the world where the asteroid, Icarus, is expected to crash on the earth in three years.

According to the Italian scientific review, *L'Espresso*, the Vatican Observatory was asked by leading scientists to aid in

plotting the asteroid's course and its probable point of impact.

The review said that Icarus has a diameter of more than a half-mile and could make an impact in an area about the size of New York City.

It said that the Vatican Observatory is one of the few in the world that has a telescope capable of observing the asteroid.

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