

First Friday Group Hears Father McManus

Father Leo McManus, pastor of St. Cecilia's Church, Elmira, spoke at the initial First Friday Supper of 1966, Friday, Jan. 7 at Columbus Center.

The First Friday Supper series is sponsored by Elmira Council 229, Knights of Columbus, and is open to all Catholics who receive Holy Communion on that day.

Father McManus was professor of homiletics at St. Bernard's Seminary for seven years preceding his current assignment. Prior to that time he served as an assistant pastor in Auburn.

Supper was prepared and served by a committee of Ladies of Columbus.

Council Chancellor Edward A. Hee is general chairman of the series. Grand Knight Raymond F. Dunlap delivered the welcome.

Charles Cody Funeral Held


Funeral Mass for Charles J. Cody was offered at St. Mark's Church, Greece, by Father Joseph D. Donovan, Wednesday, Jan. 5. Mr. Cody, 87, of 1140 Edgemere Drive, Greece, a former route salesman for Dairylea Dairy, 555 St. Paul St., died Jan. 2, 1966.

Mr. Cody was a member of the Men's Club and an usher at the new St. Mark's Church on Kuhn Road, Greece. He previously ushered at the now-closed Star of the Sea Church on Edgemere Drive near Crescent Beach.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Irene Cody; one daughter, Mrs. James K. (Virginia) Watkins Jr.; three grandsons, James C. Jerald D., John R. Watkins.

Blessing at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery was given by Father Donovan. Arrangements by Henry D. Halloran Son Inc.

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The Date Book

Monroe County DCCW

Northeast District: will hold its third quarterly meeting at St. Thomas the Apostle church on Wednesday, Jan. 19th. It will be a combined meeting of St. Thomas Rosary Society and the deanery meeting.

The Family-Life Committee, chaired by Mrs. Robert Gleisner, will feature Dr. Ruth Lawrence, well-known pediatrician, as guest speaker. Dr. Lawrence will talk on "Parents Role in Sex Education."

Southeast District: will meet on Monday, Jan. 17 at St. John the Evangelist parish on Humboldt St. at 8 p.m. Guest speaker Father John Quigley, assistant pastor of St. Jerome's church in East Rochester, will discuss "Liturgy in the Home."

Southwest District: will meet on Tuesday, Jan. 18 at 8 p.m. in St. Augustine's school hall. Mr. John Ward will present a film on the problem of indecent literature entitled, "Pages of Death."

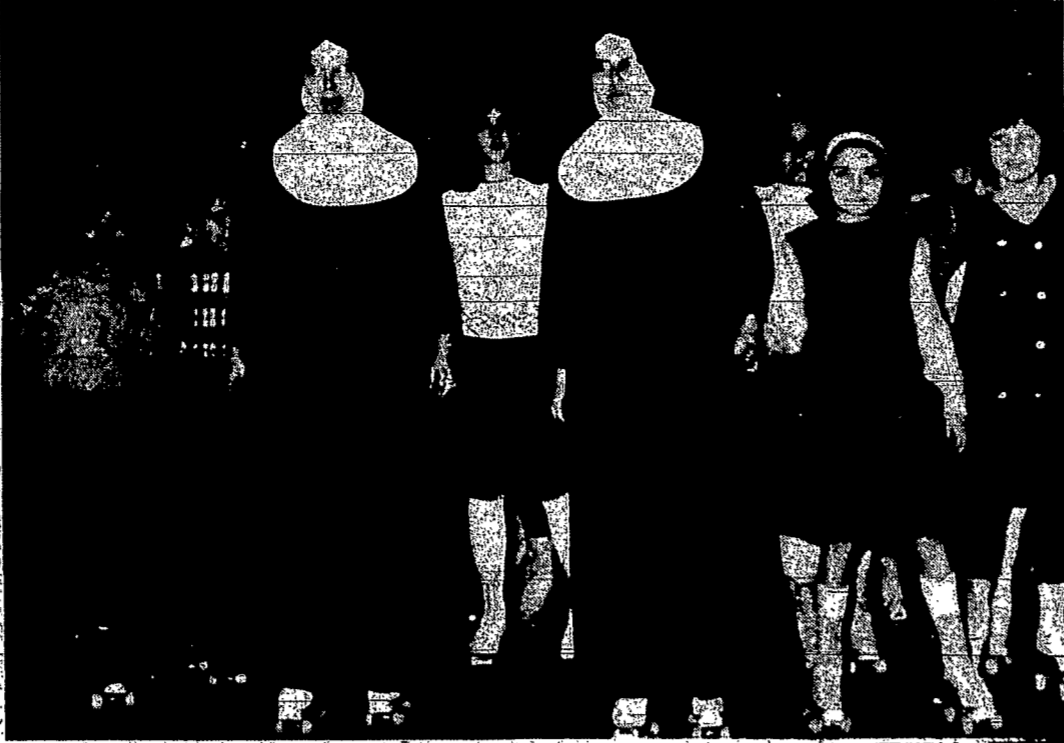
'Fun Night'

Ladies' Auxiliary of the Knights of Columbus will meet on Thursday evening, Jan. 20. According to Program Chairman, Kathy Buggie, this will be "Fun Night."

Nursing Alumnae

St. Mary's Hospital School of Nursing Alumnae Association is having a Communion Breakfast on Sunday, Jan. 23, after 9 a.m. Mass celebrated by Bishop Kearney in the hospital chapel. The breakfast will be held in the Student Union at the hospital.

Dr. Robert Kennedy will speak on his medical experiences on the S.S. HOPE in Africa. Reservations may be made with Mrs. Nancy Pamplino, BE 5-7112 or Mrs. John Biehler, ED 4-8994. Tickets are \$2.75 per person and may be purchased at the door.



Time Out From Studies

SISTER CHRISTINE, right, and Sister Mary Noel are shown with students of St. Francis de Sales School, Geneva, at a holiday skating party at Geneva Rollerdoms. The Sisters were guests of the fifth, sixth, seventh, and eighth grades of St. Francis de Sales School. The skating party was a highlight of the holiday program at the school.

'Traditionalist' Back in Business

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Cardinal Shehan, his archbishop, to disassociate himself from the movement. The prelate, a member of the Vatican Secretariat for Promoting Christian Unity, held that the CTA was "contrary to the best interests of the Church in this county."

Father DePauw acceded to the cardinal's directive and went briefly to New York to turn over command of the organization to a "Father X," never officially identified. Although he was no longer officially associated with the CTA, he wrote frequently (largely letters to the editor) on the subject, generally in response to criticism.

In his New York press conference, the Belgian-born priest said his appeal to the Vatican had resulted in a victory for "silenced priests," which he considered himself to be.

It was pointed out in Baltimore, however, that Cardinal Shehan had never "silenced" Father DePauw. In a previous statement the archdiocese noted that since the cardinal's directive to Father DePauw to disassociate himself from the CTA, the priest "has continued to speak and publish frequently his opinions concerning the liturgical reforms. No steps have been taken to prevent him from doing so."

Observers here noted that Father DePauw only recently made a long-playing record.

issued by a California recording company, on subjects of CTA interest.

Since his transfer to Baltimore from Ghent, Belgium, Father DePauw has twice asked transfer from the archdiocese—first to Yungchow, China, and now to Tivoli in Italy.

His application for "incardination" to the China See was denied by the archdiocese. The diocese of 4,000 Catholics—out of a population of 3.4 million—is on the China mainland, controlled by the Mao Communist regime. Its bishop is in exile. The archdiocese said the "conditions for transfer" were not proper. It is presumed that Father DePauw sought assignment to the bishop in exile, not to the diocese where he could not possibly serve.

In July when Cardinal Shehan prepared to transfer him from the seminary to a large parish in Baltimore as assistant pastor, Father DePauw asked to accompany Bishop Blaise Kurz, O.F.M., Prefect Apostolic of Yungchow, to the Vatican Council as a guest expert. Cardinal Shehan gave his permission.

In Rome, Father DePauw asked the cardinal if he could transfer to the Diocese of Tivoli. According to an archdiocesan statement, the cardinal agreed; it added that the priest could have leave to arrange a transfer to Tivoli "or any other diocese."

"If unsuccessful" in transfer efforts, the statement said, Fa-

ther DePauw could serve as a priest in a Baltimore parish on the condition that he disassociate himself from the Catholic Traditionalist Movement.

While in Rome for the Council, Father DePauw told newsmen, he took his case to Cardinal Ottaviani.

"I fought back and I won," he said. "Cardinal Ottaviani—not the Ottaviani the conservative but the scribe of theological orthodoxy—told me there was nothing wrong in my position and encouraged me to go ahead."

Newsmen were told that Cardinal Ottaviani arranged the transfer to the Tivoli diocese which, as part of the See headed by the Pope as Bishop of Rome, comes under the supervision of the Holy See. Presumably, he would not have to work in Tivoli—like a soldier on "detached service," he would belong to Tivoli for administrative purposes while operating the Catholic Traditionalist Movement out of New York headquarters.

According to the priest, at a Dec. 1 audience with Pope Paul he told the pontiff many Amer-

ican Catholics supported Council decrees as they were voted and promulgated in Rome, but not as the priest claims they are interpreted in the U.S.

The priest said he has the Pope's support.

According to Father DePauw, some 40,000 Catholics were polled on their reaction to "change" stemming from Vatican II. He said only 25 per cent approved of the "new look" in the Church and that 86 per cent believed that the "Latin Mass" should be permitted as an alternative choice in each parish. These figures, he said, were shown to Pope Paul.

Of the 40,000 polled, the priest noted, only 2,000 agreed to sign their names and addresses. He admitted that no scientific method was used to conduct the survey.

Father DePauw opposes what he calls "ecumenism," the rapidly growing ecumenical movement.

"It is not a question of downgrading Protestantism but of being true to one's own convictions and one's own Catholic faith," he said.

Cabin Party

Catholic Widowed Parent Club will hold a Cabin Party at Powder Mill Park (Rand Cabin) on Sunday, Jan. 16 starting at 2 p.m. Tobogganing, sledding, etc., will be followed by supper at 5:30 p.m. This event is for adults only.

Bowling Party

Rochester Catholic Adult Club will sponsor a Bowling Gettogether at Maiden Lane, 660 Maiden Lane, on Jan. 16 at 4 p.m. Call Carmelita Petote at GL 8-5236 for reservations.

Women's Club Slate

The Catholic Women's Club, in response to request for daytime meetings, will hold its January business meeting on Monday, Jan. 17 at 12:30 p.m.

Sister Jamesetta, S.S.J., a coordinator of "The Lighted Schoolhouses" project will describe her work. A sandwich lunch will be served. Reservations are required.

On Friday afternoon of Jan. 21, a dessert card party will be held at the Catholic Women's Club. Mrs. George J. Johansen and Mrs. William V. Magovern will be co-chairmen.

Benefit Card Party

Mother Cabrini Circle is sponsoring a Scholarship Benefit card party on Saturday, Jan. 22, at 8 p.m. in Corpus Christi Hall, 880 Main Street East. Donation is \$1.00. Tables may also be made up at individual homes.

The following may be contacted regarding tickets: Mrs. Samuel Rhoden, GR 3-2838; Mrs. Joseph Smith (evenings) 325-3108; or Mrs. Nola DeRouxen OS 4-4945.

Proceeds from the card party will help pay tuition for the ten Negro scholars enrolled in the Catholic High Schools.

New address of treasurer for the Mother Cabrini Circle is: Miss Ruth Ashburn, 2103 East Avenue, Rochester, N.Y. 14610.

God's World

Sin and Free Will

By FATHER LEO J. TRESE

There are some persons who suffer from unnecessary anxiety and even mental torture because of a malformed conscience.

This does not refer to those persons who are afflicted with the psychological illness known as scrupulosity. Scrupulosity is the inability to make a rational judgment concerning one's own moral acts. Its roots are emotional rather than spiritual, and a psychiatrist can be of more help than a priest in curing scrupulosity.

However, there are individuals whose reasoning process is sound enough, but whose judgment in moral matters is unfavorably affected by lack of knowledge.

This lack of knowledge may concern either the deed itself (thinking, for example, that it is a mortal sin to use simple profanity) or it may concern the nature of a voluntary act (thinking, for example, that an action committed under sudden and overpowering temptation is fully deliberate.)

A teenage boy, for instance, may find himself buffeted by strong temptations against charity. He is a boy who is sincere in his religious faith, honestly wanting to love God and trying his best to do God's will. Despite his regularity in prayer and in receiving the sacraments, he finds himself overwhelmed with erotic fantasies or by a physical urge which results in masturbation.

The boy grows progressively more discouraged. "What's the use of trying?" he wonders. "I do my best, and still I commit sin!"

His discouragement results from his failure to see the contradiction in his statement, "I do my best—still I commit sin." If a person really is doing his best, he cannot commit sin, certainly not a grave sin. By its very definition a sin must be deliberate, a freely chosen act.

If a person's firm will and desire is to love God and to do God's will, and he uses all possible means to that end, and still does violate God's law, when the violation can be due only to some interference with the person's freedom of choice. This interference may stem from an unforeseen and irresistible surge of passion, such as anger, fear, or sexual passion or freedom may be lessened by such influences as fatigue, nervous disturbance or simple inadvertence.

In our religious instruction

Is Silence The Only Alternative?

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ology professor at the University of Notre Dame: "Authority must not think that the actions of a priest are necessarily taken by modern society as committing the whole Church."

Mrs. J. D. Conway, Davenport, Iowa, pastor whose "Question Box" column appears in many diocesan newspapers: "(The priest) must let the world see clearly that he is on the side of the poor, the persecuted, the second-class citizen, and that even as his Master he serves the suffering and the sinner. And if the establishment is scandalized by it, he must be ready to be crucified."

Father Philip Berrigan, described as one of the "suppressed" priests, "Submissive acceptance might be more damaging to the Church today than protest."

Sister Anne Monica of St. Mary's College, Notre Dame, Ind.: "Contemporary discussion of the sacredness of the individual person and of his inalienable freedom of conscience has influenced the exercise of authority in a few religious communities of women today, but the traditional pattern of superior-subject relationship still governs the lives of the majority."

classes in times past we have tended to underplay the element of voluntariness in sin. We have defined sin correctly as "any willful thought, desire, word, action or omission forbidden by the law of God." We then proceeded to classify and to explain meticulously all the species of actions by which we could offend God. Unfortunately we have said little about the factors which may reduce the deliberateness of such behavior, except perhaps to point out that we cannot commit a sin in our sleep or by accident.

It is not surprising that as a result of this imbalance, many persons have suffered confusion and anxiety at the apparent discrepancy between their good intentions and their bad actions.

Happily we now are revising our approach in the moral instruction of our youth. We now present the concept of sin in a more positive light: not so much as the heaping of a law, but as the betrayal of God's love for us by the denial of our love of God.



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