



### To Attend Temple Service

TWO ALUMNAE GROUPS, Trinity College and New Rochelle College, will attend Late Friday Evening Sabbath Service at Temple Beth El on Friday, Feb. 4 at 8 p.m. Following the service, they will be given a lecture tour of the Temple. In photo are Mrs. Eugene W. Bergin, president of Trinity College alumnae; Rabbi Abraham J. Karp of Temple Beth El; and Mrs. Francis J. Collins, president of New Rochelle College alumnae.

### Father Brady

## Vocation of All Christians

Hornell — An interdenominational Week of Prayer for Christian Unity has "overwhelmed" clergymen and residents of Hornell by its unforeseen success.

Nearly 1,000 city and area residents daily filled each church participating in the event—unique in the history of Hornell.

United services were held in the participating churches each day of the unity octave at 5:30 p.m. The opening service on Jan. 18 was in St. Ann's Church with the recently appointed pastor, Father James C. Lane, delivering the homily.

The prayer crusade was the culmination of several weeks' planning by clergymen from eight participating churches. On the steering committee were

the Rev. Denton Durland, rector of Christ Episcopal Church; Father Gerald T. Connor, assistant pastor of St. Ann's Church; and the Rev. Bruce Stearns, pastor of Park Methodist Church.

The prayer crusade was climaxed by a united service Sunday, Jan. 23, in the ballroom of The New Sherwood Hotel. Father Benedict Tighe, O.S.B., of Mount Saviour Monastery was scheduled to give the meditation but was prevented by the inclement weather. Father Hugh Brady, assistant pastor of St. Ann's Church, gave the meditation in his place.

The ballroom was filled for the event which began with each of the clergymen entering the room in solemn procession and taking his place in a "sanctuary" erected at the end of the room.

Various clergymen read the Scripture passages and led the large assemblage in the recitation of the daily prayers such as the Apostles' Creed, the Lord's Prayer and a Litany for Unity.

Father Brady said in part: "God is awakening Christians to their true vocation of fraternity, brotherly love and unity. God's plan is that all of us come to know the Father."

"The Holy Spirit has awakened in us the knowledge that we have fallen in our vocation. Despite our divisions and differences, it is His will that this society, this people of God, will come to full maturity in moving towards one great community—the kingdom of God in Heaven."

Father Brady quoted St. Paul with his charge that "each of us play his part in the building of the Temple of God."

Obstacles to full unity may seem insurmountable, Father Brady insisted, but can be moved by prayer, study and discussion. To facilitate this, he suggested three planks:

- Believe in the power of God's grace through prayer;
- Be deeply desirous of the spirit of ecumenism;
- Have great patience to wait until God's good time to bring His people together.

"All of us must work and pray to move from this life to a glorious union—not only with the Father, God, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, but also with one another," Father Brady concluded.

One end of the hotel ballroom was transformed into a temporary sanctuary. A large white cross, placed against a blue velvet backdrop, was flanked by lighted candles.

Clergymen who are active in the crusade for Christian unity entered the ballroom in solemn procession. Each was dressed in the clerical robe of his church.

The clergymen were seated on a platform. Each denomination read a prayer, a scriptural text or a portion of the litany which comprised the common prayers of the service.

Accompanying the large group in the singing of the hymns was Dr. Malvin W. Lemon, professor of music at Alfred University.

Participating clergymen were the Rev. Denton D. Durland, and the Rev. W. Lee Humphrys, of Christ Episcopal Church; the Rev. Samuel A. Fink, of First Baptist Church; the Rev. Richard A. Hasler and the Rev. Donald R. McLeod of First Presbyterian Church; the Rev. Bruce H. Stearns, Park Methodist Church; Fathers James C. Lane, Hugh Brady and Gerald Connor, St. Ann's Church; Fathers Joseph P. Raffey and John V. Laughlin, St. Ignatius Church; the Rev. Arthur Seawald, St. Paul's United Church of Christ, and the Rev. Richard Stone, Westminster Presbyterian Church.

### Easy to Enroll

### Aging for Aid

A project for apostolic lay groups was recently proposed by Rev. James Lawlor, assistant chancellor of the Rochester Diocese.

In a letter to pastors, he urged them to aid civic agencies in registering senior citizens for the U.S. Medicare program.

Father Lawlor specifically suggested the project as a task for "the Legion of Mary, Sodalties, and Men's and Women's Clubs of the parish."

## Mission Units Approved For '66 Diocese Appeal

Four continents and the islands in the Pacific will be represented in the Missionary Cooperation Plan in the Diocese of Rochester in 1966, Monsignor John F. Duffy, Diocesan Director of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, announced this week.

Latin America will also share in the mission generosity of the Rochester Diocese this year. Mexican mission programs to share in the Missionary Cooperation Plan will be the Basilian Fathers' Mexican Mission and the Diocese of Tulancingo.

Both the Brazilian mission activities of the Rochester Sisters of St. Joseph and also the Chilean missions of the Rochester Sisters of Mercy will be assigned four parishes in which there will be a collection for their efforts.

From the Pacific the Vicar Apostolic of the Fiji Islands and the Jesuit Missions on the Island of Truk will each have four parishes in the diocese in which to make an appeal. "Asia will figure in our plan this year," Monsignor Duffy reported. "In the Diocese of Bangalore and Trivandrum in India, and also in the Diocese of Thane-Nongseng in Thailand."

The Continent of Africa has four members in the 1966 Plan: the Diocese of Tanga in Tanzania, the Diocese of Buta in the Congo, the Diocese of Minna in Northern Nigeria and the Diocese of Volkrust in South Africa.

In addition to the Rochester Sisters of St. Joseph and Sisters of Mercy, other missionary groups of women include: the Missionary Servants of the Most Blessed Trinity; the Mission Helpers of the Sacred Heart; the Maryknoll Sisters; and the Missionary Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

"Some of the most outstanding mission-sending societies in the church today will be found in the Plan this year in our diocese," Monsignor Duffy observed. The Marist Fathers; the LaSalette Missions; the Hill MI Missionaries; the P. I. M. E. Missionaries; Oblates of Mary; Vincentians; and Salesian Missions each will be assigned to four parishes in the diocese to present their appeals.

On the average each missionary group admitted to the Plan will receive in excess of twenty-two hundred dollars from the four parishes of varying sizes; the Diocesan Director commented. In 1965 a total of \$85,349 was realized in the collections of the Missionary Cooperation Plan throughout the Diocese of Rochester.

"Although most of these collections will be taken in the months of July and August, the pastors and the mission representatives may agree on a date in the spring or even as late as November," the Director indicated. "Because of important diocesan collections in September and October no missionary is permitted to present an appeal at that time."

### Many Events Rescheduled

Numerous parish and diocesan events were rescheduled due to this past week's blizzard conditions.

This issue of the Courier prints all items reported to this office as of Wednesday noon.

We will try in next week's edition to bring all new schedules up to date.

Since there will probably be many events to report, we would appreciate your getting your news items to us no later than Monday noon.

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