

St. Bernard's New Rector

Rev. Joseph P. Brennan was named this week by Bishop Kearney to be the new rector of St. Bernard's Seminary.

He succeeds Monsignor Wilfred T. Craugh, rector since 1948, who was recently promoted to be a Vicar General of the Rochester Diocese.

In appointing Father Brennan to be Seminary rector, the Bishop said, "He brings to his new responsibility the experience of extensive lecturing both in the area of sacred theology and holy scripture. In the new diocesan program for the education of the clergy, St. Bernard's hopes to maintain, under his rectorship, the magnificent tradition handed down through the years."



FATHER BRENNAN
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Father Brennan has taught biblical subjects at St. Bernard's since 1957 following studies to attain his licentiate degrees in both theology and scripture at the Gregorian University in Rome and at the Pontifical Biblical Institute at Rome and Jerusalem, where he was a pupil of Dominican Father Roland de Vaux of Dead Sea scroll fame.

He is a native of Rochester, attended Sacred Heart Cathedral school, St. Andrew's and St. Bernard's Seminaries. He is a member of Bishop Kearney's ecumenical commission.

The Courier Journal wishes him every success in his new position.

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Your Wedding Day

Prepared by the editors of 'Marriage' magazine for those soon to be married — and for those who are glad they already are. Turn to page six and slip out the special section for your separate reading.

Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Symbol of God's Love for All

The Catholic Church today celebrates the feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, symbol of the Saviour's love for all mankind.

The feast has special significance for Catholics of the Rochester Diocese whose Cathedral is dedicated to the Sacred Heart.

Another church similarly dedicated is the famed basilica Sacre-Coeur which dominates the hill of Montmartre in Paris, France.

The French shrine was built in 1871 as an act of national atonement following the Franco-Prussian War.

Its site is where St. Denis, third century first bishop of Paris, was martyred and where Benedictine monks in the twelfth century chartered their prayers. In later centuries, the area became the home for a different breed of men — Utrillo and Toulouse-Lautrec's "little friends" La Goulué and Jeanne Avril, and is today more noted for its risque night clubs than for its piety.

Somehow, nonetheless, the great white basilica seems comfortable on its hill where saints and sinners have lived — for that is the purpose of the Church in developing the Sacred Heart devotion.

The Preface prayer of the Sacred Heart Mass says this part of the loving Lord is "a living place for the devout and a stage of salvation for those who repent" — in other words, the Lord in His mercy includes saints and sinners in His love.

There are some critics these days who think the Sacred Heart devotion is passe — open-heart surgery on color television has, they say, destroyed any lingering sentimental associations between love and the human heart.

The continuing popularity of Valentine's Day, however, would seem to be sufficient evidence to the contrary.

The heart has long been a symbol of a man's character. "He's a hard-hearted fellow," we say, or "she's got a warm spot in her heart for him," or "his heart isn't in it," and there are many other phrases: faint-hearted, a divided-heart, broken-hearted, big-hearted, chicken-hearted, and history chronicles such names as Richard the Lion-hearted and American comic-section readers of a previous generation remember Tess Trueheart, and the famed musical "Damn Yankees" had the



The white domes of Sacre-Coeur brood quietly over the bustling pot pourri of Montmartre in Paris.

rousing song, "You've Got to Have Heart!"

Little wonder then that the Lord should choose His own heart to be so easily understood symbol of His love for all mankind.

Pope Pius XII, ten years ago in his encyclical on the Sacred Heart, cautioned Catholics "not to say that this devotion began when it was privately revealed by God or that it suddenly came into existence in the Church." This statement was meant to counter those who linked the devotion only to the visions claimed by the seventeenth century French nun St. Margaret Mary Alacoque.

Jesuit Father John A. Hardom has stated that the devotion

actually "goes back to the origins of Christianity" — when St. John described God quite simply by saying, "God is love."

The theme of love is as contemporary as a jet plane or a beate tune, so the Sacred Heart symbolism seems an apt remedy for much of the present day turmoil in theological terminology.

Perhaps the devotion has been clouded by sometimes effeminate statues and saccharine phraseology, but the "heart of the matter" retains its validity, and may, perhaps, be the only doctrine which an increasingly sceptical-generation may be able to cling to with confidence — that "God is love" and "by this shall all men know that you are My disciples if you have love for one another."

Pope Pius had similar thoughts when he concluded his encyclical of 1956 with the words: "We do not hesitate to state emphatically that devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus is the most effective school to learn of God's love, on which must rest the foundation of the kingdom of God in the souls of individuals, in families and in nations."

the convention and will preach. Archbishop John P. Cody of Chicago will speak at the closing session.

Serra Meet To Analyze Role in Vocation Work

St. Louis — (NC) — Vocations problems of the Church will be analyzed and new methods of attracting religious vocations will be probed at the three-day 24th annual convention of Serra International, to be held here June 20-22.

Thirty-five bishops and 200 priests will join 2,500 delegates from 305 Serra Clubs of 20 nations at the convention, whose theme is "Reassessment, Renewal and Responsibility—Serra International's Response to Vatican Council II."

Serra is an international organization of 12,000 Catholic men who seek to foster vocations to the priesthood. Founded 36 years ago, it is named in honor of Father Junipero Serra, O.F.M., a pioneer missionary in California.

Joseph Cardinal Ritter of St. Louis will celebrate a Mass in the St. Louis cathedral to open

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Does the Church and its clergy have the right to stick their nose into practical, day-to-day issues like housing, jobs, medical aid for the poor?

Many people — including a sizeable number of Catholics — say no.

Jesuit Father Robert A. Graham, special correspondent for Religious News Service in Rome, in this article reports the Pope's emphatic yes!

Pope Paul spoke to all of the Church and all of the world when, recently, he cited the indispensable function that religion has in the solution of recurring social problems.

His address to 15,000 workers from 35 countries on the 75th anniversary of Pope Leo XIII's labor encyclical, *Rerum Novarum*, could have been regarded by some as a "commonplace" delivered to a select audience raised and educated on Catholic social teaching.

It was far from that. It was a response to those who oppose religion in social action. It was

an affirmation of Catholic teaching.

"The Church," Pope Paul said, "has not feared to descend from the religious sphere which is proper to it to the concrete conditions of social life."

Three-quarters of a century after Leo XIII had to justify the Church's intervention in the social question, opinions are still current in Europe questioning the propriety of Church pronouncements on socio-economic problems, not excepting peace and disarmament.

The pockets of resistance to the now generally acknowledged consensus that Christian teaching has a relevance to contemporary institutions are to be found in both the left and the right wings of political opinion and include in their number Catholics as well as non-Catholics.

They represent both the classic economic liberals and avant-garde thinkers. So far as the Catholics are concerned, their

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Father Reed's Courage an Inspiration

Father William L. Reed's "courage should be a lesson for all of us," mourners were told at his funeral Mass at St. John the Baptist Church, Elmira, Wednesday morning.

Father Reed, 45, died suddenly but not unexpectedly Sunday morning, June 12, 1966.

He had been seriously ill but continued his priestly duties.

He was at work completing plans for St. John's centenary observance when he suffered a stroke Saturday evening.

Bishop Kearney offered the funeral Mass. Father Raymond Heisel gave the eulogy.

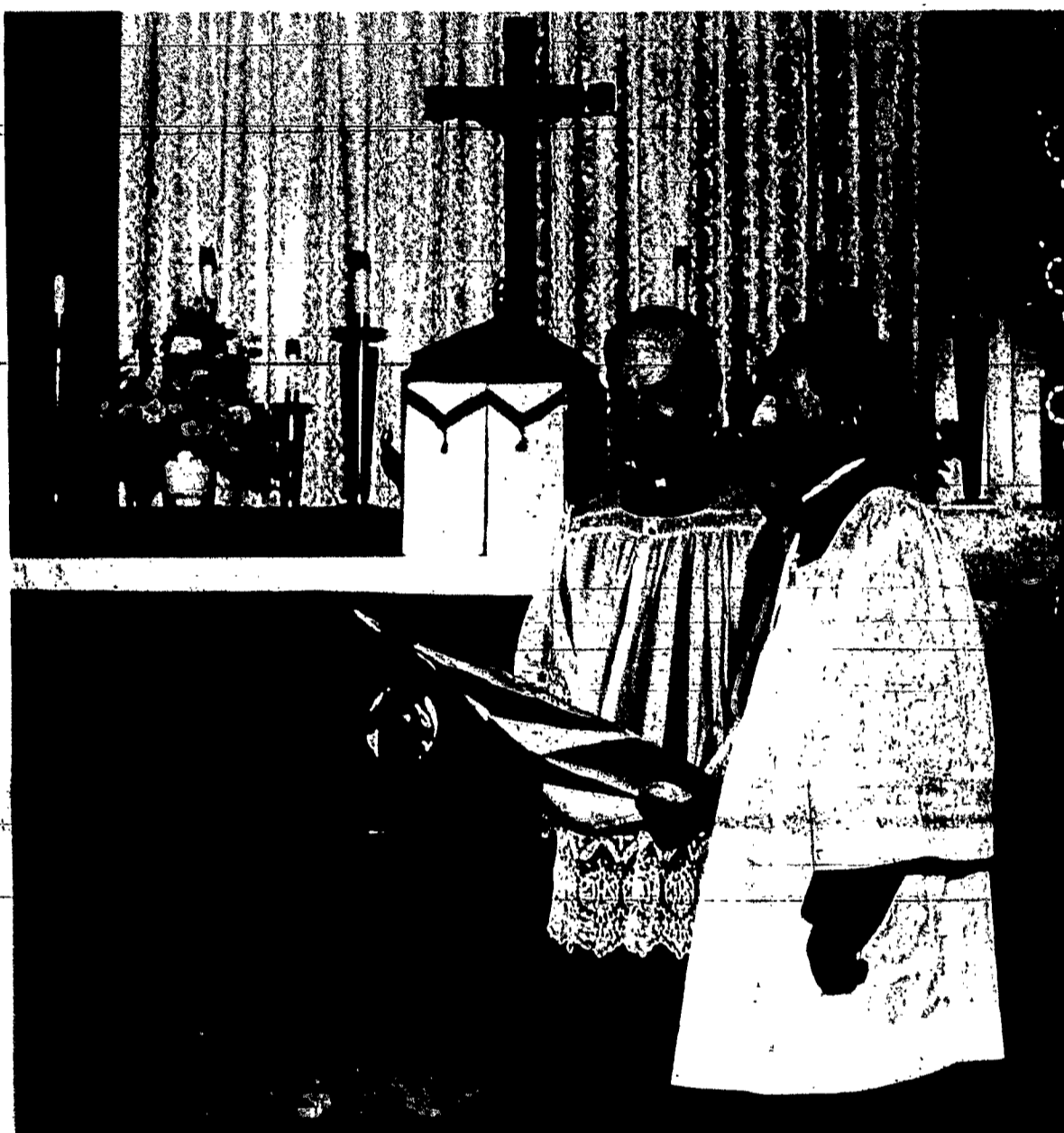
FATHER REED, he said, "had for some years been living on borrowed time. He knew it. We knew it. This seemed to give him all the more impetus to plan, to work, to stir others into doing." Full text of the eulogy will be in next week's Courier.

Father Reed, ordained Dec. 22, 1945, served as assistant pastor at St. Mary's Church, Canandaigua; St. Vincent's Church, Corning; St. Bridget's Rochester; Holy Cross, Charlotte; St. Francis of Assisi, Auburn; and at St. Ann's, Rochester, prior to his assignment at the Elmira parish in 1959.

Born in Elmira, the son of the late Edmund B. and Irene FitzPatrick Reed, he attended St. Patrick's school, Elmira, Elmira Catholic High School, St. Michael's College in Toronto and St. Bernard's Seminary, Rochester.

He is survived by a sister, Miss Jeanne Reed, Syracuse, two aunts and two uncles. Burial was in the priest's plot at St. Peter and Paul's Cemetery, Elmira.

Assisting Bishop Kearney at the funeral Mass were Monsignors Leo Schwab, William Roche, John McCafferty and John Duffy and Fathers John Malley and William Schifferli. Scores of priests and nuns joined parishioners to fill St. John's Church for the observance. Arrangements were made by the Charles Hughes and Sons Funeral Home.



Father William Tobin, pastor, and the late Father William Reed, assistant pastor, study plans to remodel St. John the Baptist Church, Elmira. Church will mark its 100th anniversary this Sunday. Father Reed died last Sunday, musing the jubilee joy.

Centenary at Elmira Parish

The centenary celebration of Elmira's St. John the Baptist Church will be muted by its mourning the death of its curate, Father William L. Reed.

Father Reed died suddenly Sunday, June 12, just a week prior to the jubilee observance. Details of his obituary are printed elsewhere in this issue of the Courier.

JUBILEE EVENTS will be held, however, as scheduled.

Bishop Kearney will preside and preach at the centenary Mass Sunday, June 19, at 12:10 noon. Father William Tobin,

pastor, will be celebrant of the Mass.

A parish dinner will be held at the Magk Twain Hotel that evening at 6:30 p.m. Father Tobin said speakers will include Monsignor Francis J. Lane, Rev. Raymond Heisel, Rev. John J. Leary, Judge John Frawley and Elmira Mayor Howard Kimball.

St. John's is Elmira's "downtown church."

Six years ago, Bishop Kearney termed its city-wide role as "a new vocation for this fine old church."

The parish gears its schedule

for the convenience of those who can't get to their own parish services. A Sunday Mass at 5 p.m. is well attended and downtown office workers crowd the Church for weekday 12:10 noon and 5:15 p.m. Masses.

St. John's also boasts of being the only southern tier Catholic church to be air conditioned — an added inducement to go there on humid summer days.

THE HISTORY of St. John's begins with the coming of the first Catholics to Elmira around 1830. The first priest to visit was the Reverend Francis O'Donoghue who came from Auburn in 1834 and celebrated Mass in the home of Matthew Laffin. Father O'Donoghue came at the request of Mr. Laffin and a Michael Briggs, because they as well as other Catholics had children that they wished to have baptized. The few Catholics living here were visited by Auburn priests until about 1845, when Elmira became associated with a parish at Binghamton.

The Reverend J. Sheridan of Binghamton then visited Elmira and the small towns in the area. Because Elmira was growing more rapidly than the other towns, Father Sheridan moved to Elmira in 1849. He bought a house for a residence and built a brick church, St. Peter and St. Paul, to accommodate the few Catholics.

The German Catholics attended St. Peter and St. Paul until they formed their own congregation in 1866. As early as 1857, a German priest occupied

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Newman Center At Indiana U.

Greensburg, Pa. — (NC) — Bishop William G. Conway announced the Greensburg diocese has undertaken to build a \$500,000 Newman Center for some 1,750 Catholic students enrolled at State University in Indiana. Pa. Catholics comprise about one-third of the total student enrollment.

Prezzolini did not report on the Pope's own comments. But the elements of Paul VI's reply to the intellectual's monologue are not hard to find in his address to 15,000 workers at St. Peter's.

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