



ALL SMILES following ceremonies on graduation day last Sunday at St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing are Elmira parents and their nurse-daughters:

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kane and Mary Ellen, Mr. and Mrs. John J. Daly and Kathleen, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fillmore and Clare.



AWARD WINNERS at St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing in Elmira are shown with-Bishop Kearney following last Sunday's commencement exercises: Karen Kaveny of Rochester, Maryagnes Bustin of Sayre, Pa., Mary Helen Bennardi of Williamsport, Pa., and Joyce Osborn of Elmira.

Awards Given Nursing Grads At St. Joseph's

Special Awards were received by three members of the 55th graduating class of St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing, Elmira, at Commencement Exercises held Sunday, Aug. 28.

Maryagnes Bustin, Sayre, Pa., received the Rev. Francis J. Walker Memorial Award for highest scholastic achievement.

The St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing Alumnae Association Award for excellence in nursing practice was merited by Karen Kaveny, Rochester.

Mary Helen Bennardi, Williamsport, Pa., was the recipient of the District No. 3 New York State Nurses Association Award for outstanding leadership in Student Nurses activities.

Honorable mention for scholastic achievement was merited by Agnes Flood, Stanley; Jean Woodward, Elmira; Mary Helen Bennardi, Williamsport, Pa.; and Clare Fillmore, Elmira.

The award for highest average in X-ray Technology was received by Joyce Osborn, Elmira.

How To Stop A Revolving Door

The Monroe County Penitentiary is trying to do something about its "revolving door" prisoners.

Gerald J. Sullivan is in charge of the job.

It's quite a job. Two years ago, the Rochester Bureau of Municipal Research issued a report, "Man on the Periphery," the result of a 2-year study made of more than 1,100 male prisoners sentenced during one calendar year (1962).

The report made these points: 2 out of 3 prisoners were behind bars for public intoxication offenses.

The average alcoholic offender had been in jail more than 9 times, almost always for the same offense.

"The profile of the penitentiary prisoner," the report concluded, "is one of failure."

By and large, the average inmate was "undereducated, illiterate, unemployed, or sporadically employed, and unattached (16% married, 38% separated or divorced)," the report stated.

In calling for a new approach to these short-term offenders (the county institution takes prisoners only up to 1-year sentences), the research agency noted:

"The pattern of repeated incarceration, particularly for the alcohol offender, documents the ineffectiveness and indeed, futility, of the present correction approach."

The Monroe County Board of Supervisors decided to try a new tack last year, hired veteran social worker Gerald J. Sullivan. He was given the title of Deputy Superintendent for Rehabilitation, a free hand to try some positive steps.

Married, father of four children, Sullivan is a member of Guardian Angels parish in Henrietta. Of his 14 years in social work, 8 had been spent in parole and probation work. He was intrigued by the challenge of doing something about the men who were making a "revolving door" out of the penitentiary's main entrance.

Pilot Project
As a first venture, Sullivan tried a "job and room" approach. Many of the prisoners being discharged complained that they had "no job, no place to stay" when they emerged from behind bars. So a pilot project involving 35 men being discharged was initiated.

More Basic Efforts
Next step was to undertake



MAN WITH A PROBLEM. Gerald Sullivan at his place of work, ponders the problem of "revolving door" prisoners.

Sullivan and Albert Benedetto, supervising rehabilitation counselor, went to work, got help from other social agencies and saw to it that the 35 men all had a job and place to stay upon their release.

After 3 months, they found that 10 of the 35 men were still working (although 5 had changed jobs already), 6 were back in jail, 2 had joined the Job Corps, 10 had "drifted away" from contact with the social workers.

The "job only" approach was not the answer, Sullivan concluded. 18 of the men who had been found jobs lasted only a few days at their employment.

"Losing the jobs only defeated them more," Sullivan added. "They felt they'd been given a good chance, had failed, and were more discouraged than ever."

To overcome this, Sullivan and Benedetto have enlisted the cooperation of other community agencies like the Roch-

ester Rehabilitation Center, Manpower and the Job Corps. These agencies have made arrangements to contact the men on their release, accept them into training programs.

The penitentiary itself offers some limited job training facilities. A tailor shop and a bake shop can take care of a few men who show interest in learning these fields.

Age (average about 40) and lack of motivation are two other obstacles in the inmates' path.

The most obvious problem any rehabilitation effort faces in a short-term penal institution is that the men are not there very long. Right now, the average sentence is about 78 days. This in itself limits efforts at job training, for example.

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Masses to be Celebrated In New Ontario Church

Parishioners of St. Mary's of the Lake Church, East Ridge Road, Ontario, will be attending Mass Sunday, Sept. 4, in the new church just completed on Walworth Road.

After ninety-six years of existence, the doors will be closed on the small, white, frame building that served the Catholic people of Ontario and the neighboring towns of Walworth and Williamson.

Due to crowded conditions because of the increase in population of these rural communities, it was necessary to increase the number of Sunday Masses from two to five in the past fifteen years. Still, four of these Masses were filled beyond capacity.

Now, parishioners will attend either the 8, 9:15, 10:30, or 12 noon service in their new church with plenty of room. Standing will not be necessary and the choir loft will be reserved for the organist and choir members.

Work on the new building was started last August 9, with the lining up of the floor level of the building under the supervision of Richard Link of the Anthony Link Sons contracting company of Rochester.

A large, colored glass window designed by James J. O'Hara of the Pikes Stained Glass Studios, comprises the whole vertical wall above the entrance doors fronting east on Walworth Road. The model of this window was on display at a Church Art Exhibit in the Midtown Plaza in Rochester, this past Spring.

The memorial windows on the north and south sides of the church, also designed by O'Hara, will refer to prophecies

Red Mass Set Tues., Sept. 13

Annual Lawyers' Red Mass to be celebrated by Bishop Kearney will take place in St. Joseph's Church, Franklin St., Tuesday, Sept. 13 at 9 a.m. according to Supreme Court Justice Daniel J. O'Hara, general chairman of arrangements.

Judges, attorneys and leading citizens of Rochester attend this Mass, celebrated each year in observance of the opening of the courts of justice. Detailed plans will be announced next week, Justice O'Hara said.

concerning Christ in the Old Testament and their fulfillment in the New Testament, and will be completed after the church is occupied.

Green carpeting is laid throughout the church. Modern pews, 18 feet long, on either side of the center aisle will accommodate 552 persons. Norcan stone is the flooring of the sanctuary, narthex, and baptistry.

The altar is free from the semi-circular wooden wall of the sanctuary and will allow the priest to celebrate Mass facing the congregation.

In the southeast rear corner of the building a "crying room" is in readiness for small youngsters.

The baptismal font has been removed from the old church building to take its position in the baptistry at the northeast corner of the new church.

Other main items from the old church have been installed

in the new church: the large altar crucifix, the stations of the Cross, the organ, vestment case, and the large statues of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the Sacred Heart.

At the rear of the Church are two confessionals.

Lights are located behind the twenty-two laminated beams that support the roof covered by cedar shakes and are not visible.

An ample, black-topped parking area is located on the south side of the church, approached from the Walworth Road, through a drive bordered by lights.

Last Sunday, parishioners and interested people of the community were invited to view the new building by Father William J. Gaynor, pastor and assistant pastor Father Gerard J. McMahon, from 5 p.m.

Dedication services for the new St. Mary's of the Lake will be held this Fall.

Principals Urged:

Put Sex Education in School Courses

A strong plea for inclusion of organized sex instruction in the Catholic school curriculum was made at the Principals Workshop held last week at Nazareth College.

The request was made at the 3-day workshop by a parish priest and a school principal who have just completed a 6-month survey in the field of sex education.

Father Michael Murphy, assistant pastor of St. Charles parish, and Sister Mary Brigid, R.S.M., principal of St. Charles school, recommended that sex instruction be integrated into the school curricula even from the earlier grades.

75 of 82 elementary school principals who responded to a questionnaire sent out by the priest-nun team felt that Catholic schools should be teaching sex education at the grammar school level, they reported.

56 schools are already offering some form of sex education, the pattern and extent of their

programs vary widely. 22 schools reported that they have no program along these lines.

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Workshop At McAuley

Four nationally known speakers will highlight a two-day Religion Workshop on teaching techniques opening this morning, Sept. 2 at Catherine McAuley College.

Sponsored by the Diocesan Education Office, speakers will include Father Gerald Weber of Chicago, author of "God's Saving Presence"; Sister Allie and Jean Ann, C.S.J., coauthors of "Christian Inheritance Series"; and Gerard Pottebaum, director of Piliam Catechetics Dept.

More than 750 educators from the area will attend.



FATHER WAGNER Syracuse Priest Named to St. Bernard's

A young priest from Syracuse, Father John P. Wagner, will chart the theological course for students at St. Bernard's Seminary.

He was named to the faculty there this week to succeed Rev. Dr. Joseph M. Egan, former professor of dogmatic theology who was recently appointed pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Elmira.

Father Wagner, 29, is a graduate of the North American College in Rome and the Gregorian University, also in the Eternal City. He was ordained a priest there in 1962.

Since his return from Rome in 1963, he has served parishes in Syracuse and has also been a member of the Syracuse diocesan board for the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine which is currently engaged in developing religious instruction program for adults. This summer, Father Wagner conducted a program called Insight for 80 college students.

He is expected to come to St. Bernard's Tuesday, Sept. 6. His appointment to the Seminary faculty was announced simultaneously by the Syracuse and Rochester Chanceries.

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