

Religion Teachers Told 'Come Alive'

The Church in Rochester, 1966, looks to you for leadership just as the Church at Ephesus looked to St. Paul centuries ago. So Father Gerald Weber of Chicago challenged 750 elementary school Religion teachers attending the Diocesan-sponsored Religion Workshop last weekend at McAnely College.

Commenting on St. Paul's letter to the Ephesians at the opening Mass, Father Weber, co-author of a new series of Religion textbooks, reminded the teachers that the same Spirit who worked in Paul now works in them, "to preach to the Gentiles the unfathomable riches of Christ."

"Our twentieth-century milieu, our American culture, differs greatly from that of the early Church. Today's children have no sense of the spiritual, but we must find ways and means of making the hidden God 'come alive' for them. We must catechize in a language that is modern and American," he stated.

Leaders of other sessions of the two-day program were Sister Aline, C.S.J., and Sister Jean Ann, C.S.J., of St. Paul, Minnesota, authors of the Religion texts the diocese is using in the intermediate grades; Monsignor William Shannon and Sister Joan Margaret from Nazareth College, collaborators on the seventh grade Course of Studies; and three Mission Helpers of the Sacred Heart, Sister Christine, from Erie, Sister Joseph Marie, from Ithaca, and Sister Natalie, from Fairport, who demonstrated teaching techniques for the primary grades.

Gerald Pottebaum, director of Pfium Catechetical Department and author of several children's catechetical booklets, conducted two sessions demonstrating the use of the weekly magazine, "Witness," in the classroom.

"We employ striking photography to point out features of everyday life that are apt to be overlooked by the unobservant," he explained. Pottebaum stressed that a child must be taught to look for the mystery in natural life if he is to recognize the working of the Holy Spirit in supernatural life.

No youngster will respond to an explanation of God the Father if he has not been held and loved by a natural father, and it is not possible to consider the life of grace if one has never pondered the mystery of biological life. Let your children plant seeds and watch them grow. Take them for walks out-of-doors. Help them to experience life deeply.

Films, records, maps, and other materials available on loan from the CCD audio-visual library, were exhibited by Monsignor Albert Schnacky, Diocesan CCD Director, and Sister Marietta, M.H.S.H., newly-appointed to his staff. Featured attraction on the second day was "The Parable," the film produced by the World Council of Churches for showing in the Protestant Pavilion during the World's Fair. A highly symbolic representation of the Christian life which can be used effectively as a catechetical tool, the film has been shown extensively in local parish groups.

Sister Teresa Mary, M.H.S.H., principal of Fairport CCD Center, in a session on films techniques, demonstrated the impact of cartoons and similar media on audiences steeped in TV and

movies. "One attractive film says more than many verbal explanations," Sister pointed out. "Children today are used to being entertained and we must win their attention by every means possible."

Parents' responsibility in religious education is stressed in the new texts by the inclusion of projects involving them in family discussion and activities. As Sister John Mary, R.S.M., one of the Religion coordinators in the diocesan program, observed, "The children's attitudes are strongly influenced by their parents' attitudes, and if parents are aware of and interested in Religion classes, these classes are much more fruitful, and family and parish unity grows."

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CYO Drive Seeks 4,000 Members

The 35th annual membership campaign of the Catholic Youth Organization will get under way on Thursday, Sept. 15, with a dinner for all workers at 6:30 p.m. in Columbus Civic Center.

Bishop Kearney, honorary chairman of the campaign, will speak.

Members of the special sponsorship division will meet Thursday night at 5 p.m. at the same place.

Andrew P. Donovan, assistant secretary of Eastman Kodak Company, is general chairman of the drive, and F. James Carr, manager of community relations at Xerox Corporation, is chairman of the special sponsorship committee. He is being assisted by William Feldman.

The men's division will be headed by Jack E. Post of the

local office of Merrill Lynch, and the women's division by Mrs. E. Garrett Cleary.

Paul B. Schmidt of the Catholic Charities staff is campaign director.

Howard F. Meath, executive secretary of the CYO, said this year's goal is 4,000 members. Family memberships are \$50 annually, businessmen's \$40, businessmen's \$24, and students \$15.

The CYO offers programs (spiritual, cultural, social and recreational development) to all members of the community regardless of race or creed. Memberships are open to boys and girls of elementary and high

school ages and to adults of both sexes.

Sponsored memberships are sought for underprivileged boys and girls to benefit them through body building and character building activities.

This year, the CYO through sponsored memberships, gave out over 456 memberships referred to it by the Monroe County Welfare Dept., the Catholic Family Center, Visiting Nurses Association, School Nurses Association, Family Court and the Probation Departments.

Businessmen and women and family group memberships utilize the CYO's various programs and activities. Programs and special events include everything from aquatics and archery to trampolines and simnasics.

Downtown facilities of the CYO at Columbus Civic Center are a gymnasium, auditorium, small gym, two handball courts, swimming pool, archery and golf driving range. A businessmen's club includes a sauna bath.

Total attendance at CYO programs last year, according to Meath, exceeded 200,000.

The CYO aids other community agencies and groups, including Hillside Home, Rochester School for the Deaf, St. Joseph's Villa, Genesee and Charles Street Settlement Houses, Family Court, Catholic Family Center, Monroe County Welfare, Visiting Nurses Association, School Nurses Association and Monroe Community College.



Gerard Pottebaum, Director of Pfium Catechetical Department, shares an anecdote in the magazine, "Witness," with Sister Natalie, M.H.S.H., and Mrs. Jack Englert of St. Thomas the Apostle parish at the Diocesan Religious workshop.

Red Mass To Observe Opening Of The Courts

Bishop Kearney will be the speaker as well as celebrant of the annual Lawyers' Red Mass at St. Joseph's Church, Franklin St., at 9 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 13, General Chairman, Daniel J. O'Mara, supreme court justice announced today.

Representatives of civic and fraternal groups of all faiths will join with the judges, attorneys and civic leaders at the Mass marking the opening of the Courts of Justice for the new term.

Delegations will attend from Monroe County Sheriff's Department, Rochester Police and Fire Bureaus, Monroe County American Legion and Rochester Chamber of Commerce.

This special Mass was inaugurated here in 1945 by Bishop Kearney and the impressive and colorful ceremony has been continued each year since.

The Red Mass takes its name in part from the red vestments worn by the ministers of the Mass and from the academic splendor which marked the Mass in medieval days. In ancient times, the Red Mass was attended by civil judges in brilliant robes and university doctors in scarlet gowns.

JUSTICE O'MARA as general chairman of the arrangements committee announced these committee members for the 1966 Mass:

With Justice O'Mara on the general committee are: John F. Burke, chairman of the ushers' committee; Gerald Barrett, J. Paul Brennan, James F. Butler, Peter J. Connelly, Jr., John P. DeCesare, Francis M. Donovan, Daniel F. Fitzgerald, Jr., Daniel G. Kennedy, Stephen V. Lines, John C. Mastrella, George J. Nier, Jr., Vincent F. Nolan, Charles J. O'Brien, John C. Osborn, Anthony R. Palermo, Donald E. Robinson, George J. Skivington, Jr., David H. Shearer, Eric P. Smith, Thomas W. Sullivan, J. Frank Traynor.

Out-of-town chairmen are: Edward T. Boyle, Auburn, Cayuga County chairman; Maurice Chacchia, Geneva, for Ontario County; Leo J. Stevenson, Lyons, for Wayne county; Hon. Domenick L. Gabrielli, Bath, for Yates and Steuben counties; Joseph J. Doyle, Seneca Falls, for Seneca county; and Hon. Austin W. Erwin Jr., Genesee for Livingston county.

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'Where' Series Begins on Bible

The "Where?" series of talks at the Cenacle Convent got underway Wednesday evening with an explanation of the Vatican Council's document on the Bible.

Passionist Father Richard Kugelmann said the Council continued the direction of biblical studies pointed out by Pope Pius XII in his encyclical on the subject in 1943.

He stressed the need to read the Bible "according to the imagery" that characterized authors of that period rather than to look for verbatim quotes or events as if in a modern-day newspaper.

His was the first of six Wednesday evening talks under the theme "Where in the World are We Going . . . ?" The series, open to the public, began with close to 100 registered.

Irish Fair In Macedon

St. Patrick's Church in Macedon will hold their Annual Ham Supper and Irish Fair on Saturday, Sept. 10th. Supper will be served in the Parish Hall between 4:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Father Eugene McFarland, pastor has appointed Jerry Crowley as chairman of arrangements. Supper for adults will be \$1.50 and 50 cents for children.

The Irish Fair will be held in the parking area behind the church. Games will be set up for adults and children.

Diocese Gives \$15,000 For Inter-Faith Center

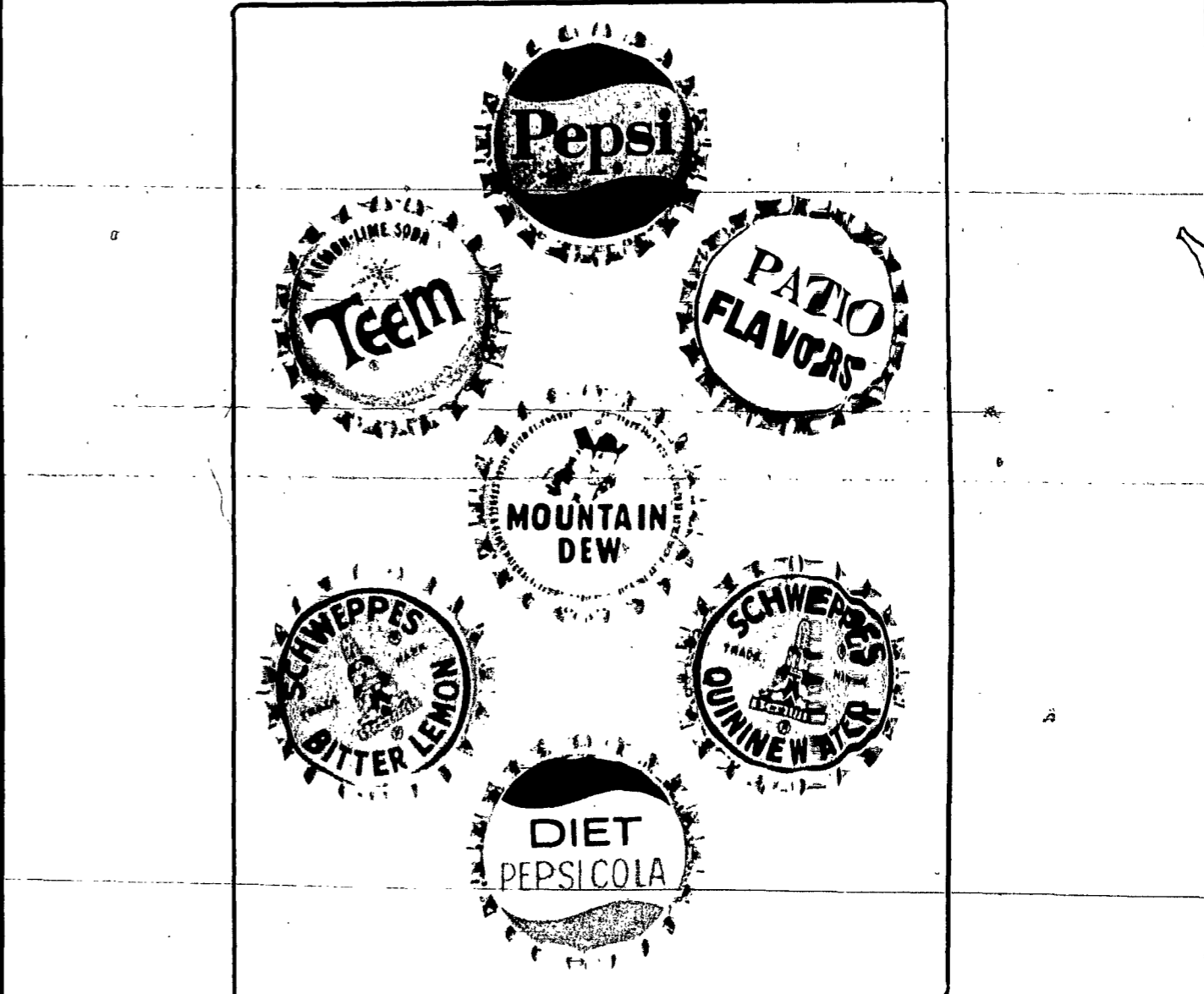
Genesee—Given impetus by a \$15,000 contribution from the Rochester Diocese, the campaign for construction of an Inter-Faith Center building adjacent to State University College here gained momentum this week.

James E. Dietsche, Elmira, past president of the SUC Alumni Association, heads the alumni committee for the \$300,000 inter-faith center building fund campaign.

Contributions will be sought later this month and in October from a selected list of alumni, parents of students, faculty, students, foundations and the community.

The proposed center, to feature a 400-seat all-purpose auditorium, will be available for use by any and all religious groups at the state college.

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