

# St. Mary's Noon Mass To Meet Xerox Influx

Old St. Mary's Church which fronts on Washington Square in Rochester's business district, is also in the shadow of the new sky-high Xerox Tower. When the new building is completed, more than 2,000 people will be daytime residents of the new tower.

With this trend ahead St. Mary's Church this week added a noon Mass, scheduled for 12:10 p.m. Monday through Saturday, to its daily schedule. The Mass will be preceded by

a half hour for Confessions, Monsignor James C. McAniff, pastor stated this week.

The added Mass will be a cooperative effort between two downtown parishes. St. Mary's will provide the church; Fathers of the Sacred Hearts from St. Peter and Paul Church will provide the confessors and celebrant.

St. Mary's, while having little now in terms of ordinary parish activity, is still a flourishing

Sunday parish. A normal Sunday finds around 2,200 people attending Mass at the South St. church, one of the oldest in the city.

Now 133 years old, St. Mary's once had a flourishing school. The trend to the outer city and suburbs gradually ate away at the school enrollment. Down to 80 pupils in 1980, the school was finally closed that year.

St. Mary's priests take care of out-of-towners and other Catholics not registered to any parish at Genesee Hospital. They also have a string of nursing homes to visit and to administer the sacraments therein. One of the curates is also moderator for the Newman Apostolate at Rochester Business Institute.

# Seminary Lay Board Named

Rochester Public Safety Commissioner Mark H. Touhey, Jr., heads the lay review board that will advise the administrators of St. Bernard's Seminary.

Bishop Fulton J. Sheen announced the names of board members this week, following their initial meeting.

Among them are two Family Court judges, Daniel J. Donahoe of Elmira and Joseph G. Fritsch of Rochester; a retired lieutenant of the State Police, Charles P. Curtin of Auburn, and the director of Rochester State Hospital, Dr. Guy M. Walters.

The board was set up by the bishop to help screen candidates for the priesthood. Others serving are Daniel F. Kennedy, a member of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Elmira; Mrs. Benjamin J. Messner and Mrs. Herman L. Springer, Jr., of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Brighton, and Mrs. Richard L. Weider of Blessed Sacrament Church, Rochester.

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# Cursillo Held At McQuaid High

By REV. ROBERT KANKA  
The Diocese of Rochester moved into the full tide of the Cursillo Movement last weekend when the first English-speaking Cursillo took place at McQuaid Jesuit High School.



(Two previous Cursillos have been held in the city for Spanish-speaking people.)

21 laymen and 5 priests, mostly from this diocese, shared community life together for three days over the Thanksgiving weekend. Father Hugh Brady, diocesan director for the Rochester Cursillo, was spiritual director, while a Buffalo layman, Louis Pauly steered the program as rector.

A team from the neighboring Buffalo diocese, headed by Pauly and Fathers Luke McArthur and Richard Linna, was in charge of the weekend. They were assisted by men from the Rochester area who had made cursillos elsewhere.

A fast-moving schedule kept the group busy through a 72-hour venture in Christian living.

The Cursillo (a Spanish word meaning "Course") is quite literally a brief, exhilarating review of some of the dynamic truths of the Christian faith. 15 talks are packed into the three days; most are given by laymen, with five, more theological in nature, assigned to priests.

The participants work in small teams, each one at a table, to capture the message. They have a dialog session after each talk, summarize their reactions, and listen to the feedback from each group in a summary session.

The key truths which are stressed are those which are calculated to move a man to an apostolic attitude. Emphasis is placed on the life of grace—God's life in our souls—and on the implications of the Mystical Body doctrine.

The basis of mutual responsibility of all Catholics to extend God's Kingdom is clearly laid, with stress on what Baptism and Confirmation mean as a share in Christ's priestly work.

For most men—and I can speak as a participant last weekend, the Cursillo was a deeply moving experience. It not merely a refresher course in some basic truths of the faith—it is trying to live them in a small community of work, study, worship and play. (The play was limited indeed, to a few really hilarious joke sessions after meals, and some skits which showed that wholesome humor is still available.)

For many, the warm, friendly masses, celebrated by the priests, with all gathered closely around the altar, were the high point. They sensed the special power of a small worshipping group, aided by truly singable hymns, a relevant homily and the fullest possible participation. (The group took advantage of the privilege of receiving Communion under both species, an option granted for certain occasions.)

For others, the surprising depth of friendship that can

develop in such a short time, was a revelation. For some of the laymen, living on informal terms with priests on a man-to-man basis, was an eye-opener.

"I've never realized how pleasantly human priests are," said one man, whose previous contacts with priests had always been on a formal basis.

A hundred ingredients went into the Rochester Cursillo, a long period of planning, the hard work of many enthusiastic Cursillo supporters, and a well-organized schedule.

A very important ingredient, of any successful Cursillo is a very long-standing Christian tradition—penance. The special penance that goes into a Cursillo is provided by Cursillo alumni (called "Cursillistas") who pledge themselves to do some penance or offer extra prayers for the success of a given Cursillo.

These spiritual gifts, called "palancas" (in English, "levers," destined to win the grace needed to move participants in

a Cursillo) came in by the dozen in the mail over the weekend.

The cursillistas also participated in a special Holy Hour in the McQuaid High chapel, unknown to the participants. This time of prayer was also directed to the spiritual success of the weekend.

There were many other factors, including plenty of singing, good discussion and the camaraderie of living together in a "dorm" setup, folding cots in a classroom, that helped weld the group together into an enthusiastic community.

A follow-up program is scheduled to begin tonight (Friday, Dec. 1) at St. Patrick's Church, first of a series of reunion gatherings for the new cursillistas.

A Southern Tier Cursillo is projected for the Elmira area in mid-winter, and the first women's Cursillo is in the planning stages for the Rochester area next Spring, according to Father Brady.

# Two Aquinas Graduates To Be Ordained Dec. 9

Two Rochester men both Aquinas Institute graduates, will be among eleven Basilian Fathers ordained next week.

Angelo D. Bovenzi, C.S.B. and Norman H. Kolb, C.S.B. will be ordained to the priesthood by Bishop Sheen in Sacred Heart Cathedral on Saturday, Dec. 9. The ceremony will begin at 10 a.m.

FATHER BOVENZI was born in Rochester on January 30, 1939. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Dominick Bovenzi, 32 Abby Lane in Gates, he attended Holy Apostles school and Aquinas Institute. In 1956 he entered St. Basil's novitiate in Rochester and was professed in the Basilian Fathers in August, 1957.

He obtained a B.A. degree in 1961 from the University of Windsor. Three years of teaching at Assumption High School, Windsor, followed. After a year at St. Basil's seminary in Toronto, Father Bovenzi was sent to the Grand Seminaire Saint-Sulpice in Paris, France, to

Aquinas Institute from 4 to 6:30 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 10.

FATHER KOLB was born in Rochester on May 24, 1938. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Kolb who now reside at 19



South Hills Drive in New Hartford, N.Y. He received his early education at St. Ambrose school and Aquinas Institute, from which he graduated in 1956.

He attended St. Michael's College in Toronto for one year before entering the Basilian Fathers' novitiate. After profession he resumed his studies at the University of Toronto and was awarded a B.A. degree in 1962. He taught at Aquinas from 1962-64 before entering St. Basil's Seminary in Toronto. In November of this year he was granted the Bachelor of Sacred Theology degree from the University of St. Michael's College.

During his four years of theological studies he has been editor of the Basilian Teacher, an educational journal published by the Basilian Fathers.

Father Kolb will celebrate his First Mass of consecration at St. Rita's Church, West Webster, on Sunday, Dec. 10 at 8:45 a.m. A reception will be held at the Hospitality House in Fairport, N.Y., on Sunday, Dec. 10, from 4 to 6 p.m.



continue his theological studies. He returned to Toronto this fall to prepare for ordination.

The newly ordained priest will sing his first Solemn Mass of Consecration in Holy Apostles Church on Dec. 10 at 12:15 p.m. A reception will be held at

# Calls For School Support On Diocesan Basis

(NC News Service)  
The superintendent of Rochester diocesan schools said diocesan wide financing, instead of parish financing might be the best way to alleviate financial hardship for the nation's Catholic elementary schools.

"The first and most basic step is the creation of a true system of Catholic education in the diocese—perhaps, even in the state—with policy controlled by an elected board which can command resources that the smaller parish cannot," Msgr. William M. Roche, president of the school superintendents' department, National Catholic Educational Association, said in an interview.

"Incorporated under state law, the board could receive whatever public funds the legislature and the Congress may in the future allocate to students for non-religious purposes," he asserted.

"As parish after parish finds it impossible to continue, we witness a slow but steady erosion of our Catholic elementary schools?" Msgr. Roche asked. "At the present time, unilateral decisions are made by the individual pastors or religious superiors which affect the education of hundreds of children."

The priest also called for a clear policy statement by the Church to bring to the attention of all members of society the need for a dynamic re-evaluation of the investment in educational opportunity for the disadvantaged.

The Church should urge all citizens, he said, "to support every effort to achieve quality integrated education for all our

children. It is small compensation for the poor and oppressed to be told that the Church stands for justice and equality while many of our inner schools are being closed or are half empty because most of the Catholics in the neighborhood have fled to the suburbs. The goal can never be achieved by the prisoners of the ghetto operating under their own power."

"To plan effectively," Msgr. Roche stated, "we must have the dedicated effort of all our pastors. They are in the best position to recommend a workable solution to the bishop on a diocesan wide basis. In the last analysis, the pastors must develop the plan which will enable the parish to continue its active operation, while at the same time providing for an equalization of support from the poorest to the richest parish in the diocese."

# Hornell Hospital Accredited

Officials of St. James Mercy Hospital, Hornell, have received word that the hospital has received accreditation approval by the Joint Commissions on Accreditation of Hospitals.

The purpose of the Joint Commission is to improve patient care. To fulfill this purpose the Commission sets up carefully designated standards of quality for every area of activity in the hospital, standards which must be met by the hospital in order to be accredited. The hospital voluntarily submits itself to a survey of its facilities an dits patient care.

considered a breed apart, either to be forced into or restricted from duties that all Christians should fulfill together."

Father Nolan added that some people consider the sermon on Sunday, visits to the sick, and the ceremonies of religious life the only affairs with which the church ought to be concerned.

He expanded the realm in which the church ought to work by saying that Jesus, in giving the directive to "go into the whole world," meant that he expects us to use modern powers—medical, political, economic and technical—to give sight to the blind, food to the hungry, comfort to the sorrowful, the very tasks He accomplished in a miraculous manner.

# Nazareth Academy Grad Building Pride Thru Music

A former Rochester resident is helping Guatemala's Indians stand taller by instilling them with pride and religion through music.

Sr. Marian, at one time a member of St. John's of Greece parish, has been composing and recording songs as a means of bringing the often backward descendants of the ancient Mayans and Western civilization closer together.

Sister Marian, or Linda Lee O'Brien, as she is permitted to call herself under relaxed church rules, belongs to the Maryknoll Order, which is devoted to foreign missions work.

For the past two years, she has served as a psychology professor at Collegia Monte Maria in the city of Guatemala and commutes in her spare time and weekends to the Indian village of Santiago Atitlan, about 40 miles west.

Gathers Folk Songs

There and at other Catholic missions she has been gathering folk and popular songs based on the Indians' culture under a project sponsored by the Latin American republic.

So that the Guatemaltecos can more readily identify with the

church, she has been working on music for Catholic Mass in the vernacular.

"I do what I can to bring them into religion that they may recognize in themselves the dignity that they may have and the value of their culture in order that this will stimulate them to elevate themselves," a Guatemalan newspaper quoted her as saying.

Once she has the lyrics and music just right, she records, accompanying herself on the guitar.

"She's pretty good," remarks her father, who adds that the Guatemalan Association of Tourists is all for the project because of the beneficial impact publicity on the songs is likely to have on the country. Sister Marian writes songs both in Spanish and in English.

Sr. Marian is a graduate of Nazareth Academy. She has two aunts, Mrs. L. T. Ryan, Rochester and Mary O'Brien, Honeyey, in the area.

# Canandaigua Pastor Backs 'Church in World' Role

In a recent guest editorial for the Daily Messenger of Canandaigua, Father William F. Nolan, pastor of St. Mary's Church, Canandaigua, defended the involvement of churches in programs of social action.

The editorial, one of a series written for the publication by Canandaigua clergymen, noted that the same people most critical of the churches' "meddling" in the problems of today's world, often chide the church for "not doing enough."

In his defense of church involvement, Father Nolan pointed out that the "church" so often in the past meant the clergy for many. He said that today there "are many tasks to do within the church but the clergy ought not to be



# Plan Campaign For New St. Salome's

Priests of St. Salome's Church, 4282 Culver Rd., Irondequoit, confer with campaign chairmen for new church to replace now-closed fire-damaged structure. Committee of 250 men will seek pledges from parishioners on Dec. 3 and 10, with minimum

goal of \$250,000. From left are: James K. Perry; Rev. William Swingle, assistant pastor; Rev. Walter Fleming, pastor; Raymond H. Keller, Jack L. Kennedy, D. David Janick.

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