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To reach chapels hidden in the Andes' deep valleys, Fr. Knapp often walks miles, carrying his Mass equipment in a knapsack. Indian boys guide him.

Fr. Knapp Returns From Latin American Mission

For the past 6½ years, Fr. Knapp is assigned to the chaplainship of a Denver, Colorado, reformatory. To tend his widely scattered flock in Bolivia, Fr. Knapp ranged by muleback, jeep, river raft and foot over 20,000 square miles of rough mountain terrain. "Our people needed spiritual care, education, medical help," reports Fr. Knapp. "We established a chain of 26 grammar schools—a normal school, a clinic and food distribution center as well as a program to train native leaders in our conditions. These programs are our best defense against persistent Communist efforts."

Fr. Knapp attended St. Ambrose Grammar and Aquinas High School where he played football during the 1949-50 seasons. Entering the Franciscan seminary at Callicoon, N.Y. in 1951, he was ordained a priest nine years later and then assigned to the Bolivian missions.



Village women bring their pastor up to date on local news, advising him who's sick, dying, in need. Sick children are the Franciscan's first concern.



Father Knapp claps out the rhythm for village youngsters.

Area Churches Schedule Christian Unity Rites

Prayers for Christian unity will be offered in Catholic and Protestant churches of the area over a 10-day period beginning next Thursday.

More than 100 churches are involved in the Unity Week observance so far scheduled. Msgr. J. Emmett Murphy of the Diocesan Ecumenical Commission and Francis Bradley of the Rochester Area Council of Churches are coordinators of the program.

Six services are scheduled for southside churches, at St. Andrew's Episcopal on Thursday, Jan. 18; the Lutheran Church of Peace, Friday; Calvary Presbyterian, Monday; St. Boniface, Tuesday; Calvary, Wednesday; and South Ave. Baptist, Thursday, Jan. 25.

On the west side of the city, there will be four services, all at 8 p.m., for eight congregations. They will be held Thursday, Jan. 18, at St. Monica's; Sunday at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church; Tuesday at Our Lady of Good Counsel and Wednesday at Calvary Baptist.

Three suburban areas have chosen Sunday, Jan. 21, for their ecumenical observances. Fourteen Brighton congregations will sponsor a service at 7:30 that night in St. Thomas Episcopal Church. There will be a service at 8 p.m. in St. Joseph's Church, Penfield for nine parishes of the neighborhood, and another, at 3 p.m., at St. Charles Borromeo, Greece, with most of the Catholic and Protestant churches of Greece participating.

Adult Theology Registration

The Adult Theology program, winter session registration is still open. Fees are \$4.00 for one course and \$6.00 for two. No credits are given, nor will any exams, homework or recitation be required.

At St. Patrick's School of Religion, Victor the courses will be held Thursdays, Jan. 18, Feb. 22, at 7:30 p.m.: "The Church: Sign of the Times" (Father Albert Shamon), "The Life of Man with God" (Father Leopold Promastro, OFM Cap.) and "The Commandments in Christian Life" (Father Cyprian Rosen, OFM Cap.).

In Seneca Falls courses to be offered at St. Patrick's School, Mondays, Jan. 15, Feb. 19, at 7:30 p.m. include "A Look at Christian Origins" (Father Sebastian Falone, OFM Cap.) and "The Commandments in Christian Life" (Father Cyprian Rosen, OFM Cap.) and at 9 p.m. "The Life of Man with God" (Father Leopold Promastro, OFM Cap.).

Another city neighborhood will meet at Holy Apostles Tuesday night.

On Thursday night, Jan. 25 at 7:30, the Episcopal and Catholic congregations of Henrietta will meet at Good Shepherd, and parishioners of two downtown churches, Salem United and St. Joseph's, will assemble at the latter.

Three other unity programs outside the city are scheduled for Jan. 25, at 8 p.m. They will be held at Spencerport Congregational Church, Brockport, First Presbyterian and East Rochester High School.

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Father Femiano talks with Max Thurain, of the Taizé community and Jesuit Father Henri deLubac.

Basilian Authors Book On the Role of Laity

Cardinal John Henry Newman's century-old insight into the role of the laity in the teaching tradition of the Church is the subject of a book recently written by a Basilian priest who is a native of Rochester.

The Ferniano book traces the development of Newman's thought on this subject, discusses the controversy which arose when Newman aired his views and analyzes the argument of the "Consulting the Faithful" paper.

Father Samuel D. Ferniano, C.S.B., has authored "Infallibility of the Laity," subtitled "The Legacy of Newman," as his first published book. (Herder and Herder, New York, 1967, 142 pages).

Father Ferniano's treatment is an elaboration of Newman's view of the role of tradition in the Church and the laity's contribution to that tradition. Newman's well known paper, "On Consulting the Faithful in Matters of Doctrine," written in 1859, put forth the English cardinal's views on the subject.

In a foreword to Father Ferniano's book, Father Gregory Baum, Augustinian theologian at the University of Toronto, calls it "an excellent introduction to the genesis of an important problem of the 19th century which has far-reaching implications for the 20th."

Father Ferniano is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dominic Ferniano of 118 Leicestershire Dr., members of Annunciation parish in Rochester.

A graduate of Aquinas Institute and St. Michael's College in Toronto, the Basilian priest was ordained in 1961, then went on to gain his doctorate in theology at the Institute Catholique in Paris. He is currently teaching theology at St. Thomas University in Houston, Texas.

Today's Church Must Plan For Future: Father Atwell

"If the Church does not plan for the future, that future will overtake it and ignore it," Father Henry Atwell told the First Friday luncheon group at the Sheraton Hotel last week.

In a rapidly changing world, the Catholic Church cannot live as though it were in the Middle Ages, the pastor of Avon's St. Agnes Church told his hearers.

Father Atwell, former editor of the Catholic Courier-Journal, is speaking on the topic "Where in the World is the Church Going?"

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