

# 3 St. Joseph Sisters to Take On Rural Area Assignment

Three Sisters of St. Joseph will sally into a new apostolate in the Diocese this fall, taking on a rural area assignment in the Eastern vicariate.

A 500-square-mile territory including the towns of Aurora, Ludlowville, Scipio Center, King Ferry and Genoa, will be their new beat. Adult education, catechetical instruction and social work will be their mission.

Mother Agnes Cecilia, who heads the Sisters of St. Joseph, made the assignment at the urgent request of two pastors from that area, Fathers Richard Stanton and Daniel Hogan.

The trio assigned to the new work are Sister Mary Cordis Leto, who will direct the project, and is now teaching at Rochester's Sacred Heart Cathedral School; Sister Francis Helen Goschke, presently teaching at St. Augustine's School, Rochester; and Sister Marielda Carroll, now teaching at St. Thomas More School in Rochester.

Sister Mary Cordis has made several weekend visits to get acquainted with the territory. She reports that the people seem pleased with the idea that they will have sisters working in their area. "Several have offered furniture, gas for the nuns' car, and even a small furnished apartment," she commented.

The specific location where the sisters will live has not been settled; it has been decided that each will be furnished with a car, because of the long distances involved in their mission.

In their 114 years of serving the Diocese of Rochester, the Sisters of St. Joseph have been engaged mainly in teaching — at the elementary, secondary and college levels — with a small but steady minority in nursing.

Recently, as new needs have appeared, they have branched out into



Sisters Marielda, Francis Helen, Mary Cordis.

several new fields, of which this rural apostolate is the latest. Sisters of St. Joseph are now engaged in Newman work at the Rochester Institute of Technology and Ithaca College; city social service agencies and the public school system; and full time adult catechetical work. Outside the diocese, the Sisters continue their home mission work in Selma, Alabama and more recently, a Latin-American mission in the state of Goiás, Brazil.

## Msgr. Burns Honored At Banquet

Monsignor Francis B. Burns of St. Bernard's Seminary was hailed as "a blessed man, with special affection for children" at the anniversary banquet of Rochester's Day Care Center for handicapped children on Tuesday evening.

Honored for "devotion and dedication" after 17 years of "outstanding service" as a director on the board of the Day Care Center for retarded children, Msgr. Burns accepted a plaque from Mrs. Michael Carliola, retiring executive secretary, who with five other parents founded the center in 1949.

More than 200 parents, supporters of the center and friends of Msgr. Burns, attended the dinner at the Sheraton Hotel.

The Day Care Center has a current enrollment of 141 retarded children who receive training and care at the agency's location, the Al Sigi Center, Elmwood Avenue and South Avenue. Another 70 children are cared for at home.

Msgr. Burns, professor of moral and pastoral theology at St. Bernard's since 1928, took an interest in the handicapped children program, the Holy Angels Home and the Rochester Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children early in his teaching days. As consultant and board member for these groups for nearly 35 years he has been widely esteemed as an inspirational force in their programs.

Mrs. Carliola's address in praise of Msgr. Burns cited his "genius skill as a photographer for the activities of the center and the home." She described him as one "who demands little of his friends but much of himself."

## Ghetto Woes Up Close Elmira Ecumenical Project

Elmira — College and high school students will be facing the real-life problems of poverty, race relations and social change in the Elmira Ecumenical Service Project (EESP) starting June 10. This will be the second year for the program which got off to a good start last summer.

A staff of nine clergymen and nuns will guide the eight-week program. The Rev. Donald R. Mills, associate pastor of Elmira's First Baptist Church, will direct the project.

To discover and meet the needs of disadvantaged people, 12 students will participate full-time and 12, primarily from the Elmira area, will serve part-time.

Participants will be mostly college students with a few senior high school students accepted. College students who have volunteered to live and serve in Elmira's Negro and low-income ghetto will come from the states of West Virginia, Minnesota, Illinois, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and New York.

Student volunteers will work in the Pupil Assistance in Learning (PAL) program with each working with a PAL child, tutoring him and becoming involved in his problems. Volunteers will work in community health, welfare, cultural, and recreational agencies.

They will participate in the project's Interfaith Bible School which served approximately 200 disadvantaged children last year. They will also staff the project's coffee house, a gathering place for teenagers.

A new aspect of the program will be drama, with participation of East-side Elmira youngsters. Presentations will be of a religious nature, accenting the theme of social consciousness.

In addition to the Rev. Mills other Protestant ministers participating are the Rev. Francis A. Park, the Rev.

Willie J. Wright, the Rev. Garvey M. Baigemann, and the Rev. Donald Hoff.

Catholic staff members include Sister Mary Cornelius of Rochester and Sister Mary Cornelius of Rochester and Murphy, and Father David Mattie of Elmira.

## Masses Scheduled On June 16 to Mark Centennial

Large crowds in four corners of the diocese will join Rochester Bishops in simultaneous offering of Masses of Thanksgiving on Sunday evening, June 16th, to mark the Rochester Diocese Centenary.

The principal religious event of the extensive jubilee year which began March 3 will see diocesan clergy concelebrating with the bishops in Auburn, Geneva, Elmira and Rochester.

Bishop Fulton J. Sheen will concelebrate with 12 Rochester-area priests on the open field at Aquinas Stadium at 7:30 p.m. on Sunday, the 16th.

Bishop James E. Kearney will offer pontifical Mass outdoors in Geneva at Shuron Stadium at 7:30 p.m. and Auxiliary Bishop Dennis W. Hickey will also be an outdoor celebrant in Auburn's East High Stadium at the same hour.

Auxiliary Bishop John E. McCafferty will concelebrate with Elmira clergy indoors at Notre Dame High School Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. on that day. This will also be an occasion for laity and clergy of the Southern Tier to welcome Bishop McCafferty as he takes residence in their area to undertake his duties as their vicar for Bishop Sheen.

Music for the Rochester Mass will be under the direction of Rev. Charles McCarthy, pastor of St. Andrew's Church.

In Geneva, Rev. Philip Lloi of St. Francis parish will be responsible for music and liturgical arrangements. Rev. James Kroon, O. Carm., of Mt. Carmel High School, will plan the congregational participation for the Auburn services.

Future events in the centennial program will come in October when St. Bernard's Seminary Alumni will gather for a reunion on the 16th, and when Rev. Dr. John Tracy Ellis, eminent U.S. church historian lectures in Rochester and Elmira on Oct. 10-11.

## Priest Retreats To Begin at Becket Monday

Rev. Walter Ciszek, S.J., who suffered the terrors of Soviet prisons which he retold in a book, "With God in Russia" will give the diocesan priests' retreats beginning Monday evening, June 3, at Becket Hall.

Nearly 150 priests and Bishop Sheen and auxiliary Bishops Hickey and McCafferty are expected for the first session from June 3 to 6, and 82 priests are registered so far for the second retreat from Monday until Thursday noon, June 10-13.

Visiting participants in some of the retreat sessions will be Monsignor James Hardiman of Chicago and Rev. Dr. Edward Thornton professor of pastoral theology at Crozier Theological Seminary.

## Fisher to Be Hotel for Open Golfers

St. John Fisher College is going into the hotel business next week: to house and feed some 200 people connected with the National Open golf tournament opening at nearby Oak Hill Country Club on June 10.

Golf stars from all over the nation and their wives, sports reporters from a score of major papers, television and radio technicians, Pinkerton men and staff people needed for the massive arrangements of the golf championship will take over Ward and Haffey residence halls on the Fisher campus.

Knowing that local motel and hotel accommodations could not meet the demand for space for participants and spectators who will come to Rochester for the week-long tournament, the Open's housing committee booked the Fisher rooms a year ago.

The campus is only a few minutes walk from the Oak Hill course where competition will run from Thursday through Sunday, June 13-16. Practice rounds will be held from June 10 through 12.

## Aquinas Plans Carnival to Aid School Fund

Aquinas Institute will hold an old fashioned carnival June 20-22 on the grounds of the Aquinas Stadium to raise money for the 60-year-old institution. This marks the first time in the school's history that such an event has been held.

The carnival complete with raffles, amusement booths, kiddie rides and refreshments is sponsored by APACE (Aquinas Parents Action Catholic Education). Arnold Morrison and Kenwood Block are co-chairmen. Father Michael Biondi, C.S.B., is faculty moderator.

According to Father Leon G. Hart, C.S.B., principal, the anticipated deficit at Aquinas for 1968-69 will be in excess of \$70,000. A recent appeal to parents and graduates netted \$33,000 towards a deficit of \$35,000 for the current year. The APACE committee looks to the carnival for the additional funds needed.



Bishop Sheen with James E. Foley (right), New York State Deputy of the Knights of Columbus, and Edward L. Miller, Grand Knight of the Bishops Council, after the Bishop's initiation into K. of C. Council 178. The Bishop was proposed for membership at the Annual Bishop's Bourse Dinner.

## First Masses Planned For 10 New Priests

Ten new priests will be ordained by Bishop Fulton J. Sheen for the Rochester Diocese tomorrow (June 1) at 10 a.m. in Sacred Heart Cathedral.

Two priests for the Capuchin Order of Friars Minor will be ordained at the same time. These new ordinands completed their theology studies at St. Bernard's, along with the Rochester students and 20 other young priests who are being ordained in their respective home dioceses.

Rochester's ten priests include: Fathers Richard and Robert Bellgott, twin brothers, who will concelebrate their first solemn Mass in their home parish of St. Mary's of the Lake, Watkins Glen, on Sunday, June 2 at 1 p.m.

The other eight priests who will offer their first solemn Masses on Sunday, June 2 at the following times, are:

Father William K. Gall, noon in St. Augustine's Church, Rochester.

Father James Kelleher, 12:15 p.m. in St. Francis De Sales Church, Geneva.

Father David C. Kunz, noon in St. John the Evangelist Church, Greece.

Father Charles J. Latus, 12:30 p.m. in Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Brighton.

Father Eugene M. Lower, 3 p.m. in Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Brighton.

Father Robert G. Magin, 4:30 p.m. in St. Salome's Church, Irondequoit.

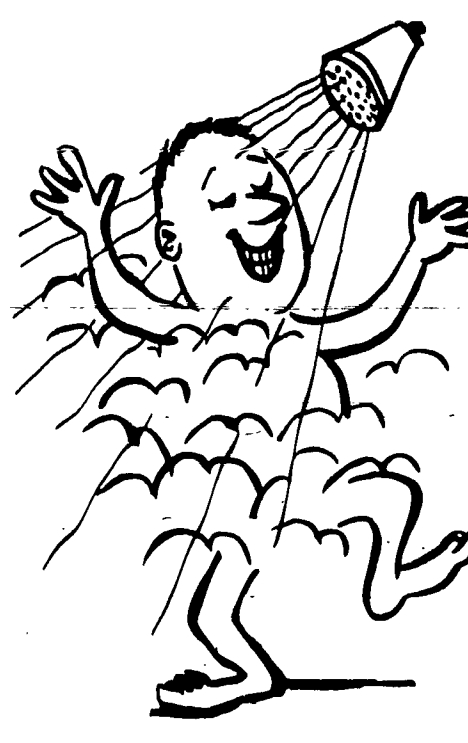
Father Kevin P. Murphy, 12:30 p.m. in Holy Name of Jesus Church, Greece.

Father James Schwartz, 12:30 p.m. in Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, Rochester.

The two Capuchin priests being ordained are Father Cyril Karłowicz, OFM Cap., and Father Francis Argentine, OFM Cap.

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Q. — Our pastor never has permitted any laymen to read the Epistle or lead the congregational prayers at Sunday Mass. But it's well done in our neighboring parishes. What's the mind of the Pastoral Office on this?  
—S.T.L., Rochester.

A. — The diocesan Liturgical Guidebook, issued in mid-1967, says on page 12: "In Masses celebrated with the people, the scripture readings other than the Gospel may be read by a lay leader. This practice, in fact, is to be encouraged. . . ." The ruling further adds: "The lay lectors should be carefully chosen in terms of their reading ability. . . . It is desirable that there be training programs for lay lectors."

Q. Are marriage vows the same as vows taken by nuns and priests? How come a nun can leave religious life but an unhappy wife cannot get freedom from the Church to remarry?  
—R.L., Geneva.

A. — Vows taken by nuns (poverty, chastity and obedience) and priests (celibacy) are certainly as sacred as marriage vows, but they are of a different nature. A Catholic couple who find their marriage intolerable together can obtain permission from the Church to separate or to get a civil divorce and remain in the good graces of the Church provided they do not remarry. The Church does not

regard this as dissolving their "marriage vows," because Christian doctrine considers the marriage state as something established by God as permanent and breakable only by death.

On the other hand, the religious state and its vows are looked upon as situations created by the Church herself to serve her needs. The Church therefore can and does dissolve these vows for good reason because that is the kind of vow she made them. In the first instance it is a case of "what God has joined together." In the second instance it is a case of "what man has joined together man can put asunder."

Q. — Our parish does not have an offertory procession at Sunday or daily Mass so communion hosts are never consecrated at the Mass where they are to be received. How can we get our pastor to catch up with good liturgy?

A. — Vatican rulings as well as diocesan statements have firmly urged that the bringing of the hosts and the wine and water to the altar be solemnly performed by the laity at Mass. The Liturgical Guidebook for the diocese says clearly on page 18: "It is strongly recommended that hosts for the communion of the faithful should be consecrated in the Mass itself. If there are a few communicants the hosts may be placed upon the paten or the corporal."