



Legion of Mary Curia Dinner

Nearly 200 members of Monroe Curia, Legion of Mary, attended annual reunion dinner Nov. 23 in Scottsville. Father Sebastian Falcone, OFM, Cap., of St. Bernard's Seminary faculty was principal speaker. Pictured with Auxiliary Bishop Dennis W. Hickey are, from left: Lucille Kunz, vice president; Gerald Coursey, president; Bernadine Begley, secretary; Bishop Hickey; Father William Trott of St. Bernard's Seminary faculty, diocesan Legion of Mary spiritual director; Peter Kress, treasurer.

Deaths

Harold J. Burns

Mass for repose of the soul of Harold J. Burns of 140 California Dr., Greece, former deputy chief of the Rochester Police Bureau, was celebrated Tuesday in St. Charles Borromeo Church.

Mr. Burns, who served under five chiefs during his 45-year police career, died Dec. 6, 1969. He was 79. Included among his many club memberships were the Rochester Police Holy Name Society and the Retired Police Veterans Association.

Survivors include his wife, Martha Peter Burns; two daughters, Mrs. Wesley (Beverly) Schlager and Mrs. Edward (Joan) Caulfield; a sister, Miss Grace Burns; nine grandchildren, a niece and several nephews.

Mr. Diesel

The funeral of Ewald E. Diesel was conducted last Saturday at St. Augustine's Church.

Mr. Diesel, of 135 Gardner Avenue, died Dec. 3, 1969. He leaves his widow, Mary Diesel; two sons, Arnold, of Ellicott, Fla., and William, of Rochester; three grandchildren and a niece.

Western Sisters Get 'Word'

San Diego (NC)—The bishops of the Far West and Southwest, joined by the bishops of the province of Dubuque, have published a collective pastoral letter addressed to the Sisters within their jurisdiction.

Entitled "The Religious Woman in Our Day," the 14,000-word letter was described as a resume of the lifestyle and apostolate of the Religious Sister in the United States.

It covers a wide range of subjects, including consecration, holiness, the liturgy, the vowed woman, community life, the ecclesial woman, apostolates, and religious garb.

Efforts by a few religious communities to come to grips with these matters in light of the post-conciliar Church renewal have occasioned disputes in some U.S. dioceses. This pastoral is unique in being issued by many bishops to cover a wide area of official opinion on the issues covering their Sisters.

The pastoral took note of what it termed "a whole new set of opportunities" for modern-day Sisters in "fraternal assistance, world peace, job opportunities, poverty programs, dissipation of racial conflicts."

and improvement of family life.

But it emphasized that a Sister's undertakings in these areas must be carried out according to the spirit of her community and the guidance of the local bishop.

The bishops said it would be fruitless for the Religious woman to immerse herself in involvement in social issues at the expense of fidelity to her fundamental religious calling. "She will run the risk of losing both the effectiveness of her work as ecclesial and apostolic, and the meaning of her life as a consecrated woman," they declared.

The bishops of the provinces of Seattle, Portland (Oregon), San Francisco, Los Angeles, Santa Fe, San Antonio, Denver and Dubuque signed the letter.

The bishops noted the uniqueness of a Sister's life and declared: "The distinguishing mark of the Religious life is the totality of the consecration of a person to God, which is a special kind of consecration, one deeply rooted in the baptismal consecration and a more complete expression of it."

The bishops said that the Sisterhood is not a flight from the world. "Today... in a world where men have become alienated from God, the Religious is called, in the living of her consecration, to awaken her fellow men to a sense of God's deep

involvement with the universe, and of the living reality of Christ's presence within it. By her consecration, having entered into the mystery of the death of Christ, she prays that she may humbly cooperate in His work of redemption and share in the joy of His resurrection."

The bishops praised today's Religious women for their attempts to seek mark development. Nevertheless, they said, the prayer life of a Religious is not fulfilled exclusively in work. "This kind of religion would go counter to the very gospels themselves," the bishops said. Religion is not merely "baptized social work."

"Although we cannot praise too highly those outstanding Religious women who have concerned themselves with poor people, social justice, hunger, racial justice and other such problems, we must also recognize that these works of mercy and justice of themselves cannot dispense from the need of liturgical and private prayer," the bishops said.

Declaring that contemplation is necessary for the Religious, the bishops wrote: "Only in prayer will Religious learn to appreciate and know the response which they must give to the 'vocational invitation' which they have received; a response which must be a personal act, a total self-giving to the Lord, an oath of their allegiance to His person, their acceptance of His doctrine and the subordination of their sentiments to His love."

Sister Ann Norwood Takes Cenacle Vows

With the decision "to live a life of service of fellowship with all who have given themselves to Christ," Sister Ann Norwood last week took perpetual vows as a Sister of the Cenacle.

Prominent among the guests at the Cenacle Chapel on East Avenue were students and faculty from the University of Rochester where Sister Ann is assistant Catholic chaplain and part of a team that ministers to the spiritual needs of more than 7,000 students.

The ceremony included contemporary readings, a student choir group accompanied by flutes and guitars and a celebratory Mass offered by Father James Lawlor, Catholic chaplain at UR, Father Walter Hanks, of St. Andrew's, Rochester, Father John Hedges of St. Charles, Rochester, Father Jude Pardini, O.S.B., a graduate student at UR, and Msgr. Russell Collins of Boston.

Other members of the University chaplaincy team present were Rev. Mr. Hayes Rockwell, Episcopal chaplain, Mr. Russell Bishop, director of Chapel, both of whom participated in the ceremony, and Rabbi Joseph Levine, the Jewish chaplain.

By her vows, Sister becomes a life member of the Sisters of the Cenacle, who staff retreat and conference centers in 20 cities throughout the U.S. and in over 40 other sites throughout the world. The Cenacle Sisters have been concerned with the ministry to students on the secular campus since their U.S. foundation early in this century.

Sister Ann is a graduate of Wellesley College, with a Master's Degree in Education from Boston University and Religious Education from Boston College. She has been engaged in the Rochester campus ministry for over two years.

Mt. Carmel to Enroll Two Latin Americans

Auburn — Two South American high school students are expected within the next few weeks to enroll in Mt. Carmel High School under the International Fellowship Exchange Program.

They are Patricia Basto, 16, of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, who will reside with the Francis Backus family, and Luis Figueroa, Concepcion, Chile, scheduled to spend three months with the Walter Teedecki family.

Applications are being accepted at the school from students — preferably juniors — who would like to travel to South America next summer as exchange students.

The International Fellowship program includes transportation, insurance coverage, food, shelter and the hospitality of a South American family for the summer. In return, the American student's family must provide residence for a visiting fellowship student during the following school year.

Business in Diocese

Walt Oyer, a parishioner of Mercy Church, Greece, recently announced the sale of the service company he and his wife started in 1954.

His firm, Oyer's Appliance Service, 189 N. Water St., has been purchased by the Whirl-

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The family exchanges Christmas wishes and small gifts of fruit or candy that have been carefully saved for tonight's fiesta. "Feliz Navidad"—"Merry Christmas"—rings throughout the tiny house.

This Latin American Christmas is probably very different from the one you will be celebrating at home with your family. There are no bright lights, no plastic reindeer, no gaily decorated packages here. Yet by their poverty, Christ is truly present in the hearts of these poor folk.

But in many far-off mission countries, Christmas will not be celebrated at all. There are still millions of people who do not know of the Babe of Bethlehem. Millions who do not realize that their Savior, the Prince of the World, has come.

In other places there will simply be an exchange of Christmas greetings. No one can afford gifts here—they can barely scrounge enough crumbs to stay alive.

Yet, in still other areas, there will be Christmas gifts—gifts of medicine, bandages, food, and old clothes distributed by missionaries. Strange presents, perhaps, but precious to those whose daily struggle is one of survival.

You, who support the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, make these gifts possible. Your generous sacrifices at a time when your own cost of living increases daily—are transformed into gifts of love sent to all those in need.

Unfortunately, you will not see the delight on the faces of Christ's poor who are so helped by you. But your faith will tell you it is there.

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Washington — In an honest appraisal of Latin America, the Rockefeller Mission quickly and when it breeds "of military when it warns about men."

Obviously, imperialist subversions, with alarming potency. Gov. Neuner of New York, States to lend more security training to in Latin America.

He believes that, soldier-dictator, "a tary man is coming often becoming a constructive social change."

Later, using the

An Analysis

result, in some cases, subversive penetration.

Rockefeller head, fact-finding tour of summer, he missed Venezuela "for political reasons."

While some of the report gives for help Latin America, the students of current difficulty in identifying forces with "change." For example,

President Juan C. Argentina is under from independents produce a much revolution."

The military in I notoriety for harsh cluding torture, of movements.

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Hon

By Lee J.

A small country, rural parish church Sunday of a gathering were firmly fastenings of Christianit, cation of the first appointed and instal Catholic Diocese of I. Hogan.

St. Rose Church, choice of Bishop E was at this church ship and it was that he went on to at St. Bernard's Semter, and then on to R

The church was I wishers of all faith the Bishop knew on name basis. Bishop, duced by the Rev. the present pastor, ish. In addition to I Rt. Rev. Msgr. John entitus of St. Ros on the altar.

Bishop Hogan ac with his signs of herd's Staff and th tional headress-won centuries.

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No. 2...

By Sarah C

Having one child early prepare you it almost any parent c children are alike, their formative year

The truth of the new last Sunday a during Mass and he young child.

"Dear heavens," I self, and clutched a kind of cold terror, from the nursery as he get inside the ch

As it turned out, else's toddler, but, client reason to thin been ours.

The week before neighboring parish, 2-year-old in the wel Trouble was they John.

During the sermo caught the family's "Mummy" coming clo before. I could do a young nun who hi side the church pr son who was yelling top sound and spee burst in upon what a very surprised pr gation.

By comparison daughter, who has Mass since she was never made any sou