



### Abp. Sheen Returns to **Honor Priests**

Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen, retired sixth Bishop of Rochester, returned to the diocese for the first time since his departure last November to concelebrate a 25th anniversary Mass of Thanksgiving April 27 in St. Mary's Church, Canandaigua, with priests ordained here in 1945.

Participating in the Mass were priest jubilarians and five bishops-Bishop Hogan, Archbishop Sheen, retired Bishop James E. Kearney, and Auxiliary Bishops Dennis W. Hickey and John E. McCafferty. Bishop McCafferty was one of the jubiliarians.



# **Bishop Studies School Plan**

A parents group has come up with a plan it hopes will keep King's Preparatory School open next school year.

The Parents Association of King's Prep would:

• Use St. William House on the school campus as housing for welfare families now living in Rochester hotels with their rent being paid by the County Social Services Department.

• Raise tuition from \$375 to \$425.

•Increase registration of pupils from 185 to 225 and eventually over 300.

 Cut the costs of running the school.

Bishop Hogan, who on March 16 announced the closing of the school for financial reasons received the proposal and promised that "the matter will be brought to the Advisory Commission of the diocese."

"The parents committee will receive an answer in due course," he said.

The special committee, representing 185 families affected by plans to close the prep school this June, told the Bishop that although most of the pupils are now registered for the Fall in other high schools of Monroe County better than 80 percent would return to King's Prep if it could be reopened.

The committee argued that the \$150,000 annual subsidy required from the diocese to maintain the school beyond the tuitions income would not be needed if their plans for revenue from the use of St. William House (once the dormitory hall when there were boarders at the prep seminary) and other sources succeeded.

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Bishop Hogan's stated position on the need to close King's Prep was that the diocese could no longer justify running the school at a deficit because it was not serving the whole diocese as a preparatory seminary and was not, in the opinion of diocesan secondary educators, worth the price as an experimental high school.



In the Mass homily, Archbishop Sheen deplored a trend in the priesthood to emphasize "social interactions," and urged priests to remember they were ordained primarily as "priests of Christ" and not "priests of the community."

Top photo above pictures Bishops Hogan and Kearney with Rochester diocesan jubilarians, from left:

Fathers Joseph T. Gaynor, L. James Callan, Edward J. Foy, James P. Collins, C. Richard Nangle, Robert A. Meng, Nicholas P. Alletto; Bishop McCafferty; Father Jerome F. Schifferli; Bishop Hogan; Bishop Kearney; Msgr. John F. Duffy; Fathers Charles Langworthy, Francis R. Davis, Ignatius St. George. Father T. Paul Murley was absent when photo was taken.



Middle photo shows Archbishop Sheen in typical scene at dinner following the Mass --chatting with priests at one of the tables. From left are the Archbishop; Msgr. Robert A. Keleher; Father John F. Wo-

loch; Father John B. Kleintjes, and (back to camera) Father Joseph McDonnell.

Lower photo shows Archbishop Sheen in an even more familiar scene-in pulpit delivering homily at jubilee Mass.

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