



First Mass in New Church Building in Dryden

Forty children of Holy Cross parish in Dryden received their first Holy Communion May 17 at the first Mass in the newly-erected prefabricated church building there, celebrated by Father Thomas K. Cleary, pastor. For 20 years the parishioners have worshipped in the small Christ Chapel at nearby George Junior Republic. The new building was constructed following a recent building fund appeal which surpassed its \$100,000 goal.

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AQ Runners Set Record

By WHIT JOHNSON

Father Donald McCarthy, CSB, congenial track coach at Aquinas Institute, usually speaks in superlatives when referring to his team. But last week his relay team did so well in the Elmira Relays that he was at a loss for words.

Because of two scheduled meets earlier in the week, the limit for high school competition, he took his only four eligible runners to represent the school in the annual Elmira relay carnival. The Aquinas quartet of John Hamilton, Craig Van Dongen, Bill Fox and Paul Ford opened the show in the four mile event and set the night's lone meet record. The speedy foursome captured the event in 18:46.7, shattering the meet record set by Webster High in 1966. In addition, the speedsters also set a new school record. Father McCarthy, who was as proud as punch of his boys, said, "They just couldn't have done any better."

FITNESS PROGRAM SET AT MOONEY

Cardinal Mooney High School will host a "Power Fitness Program" Aug. 16-25. The program will include weight lifting, agility drills and spring and endurance runs.

The program is open to all boys 12-18, and will be held evenings, 6:30-9 p.m., at the school on Malden Lane, Rochester. A \$20 fee is charged. Further information may be obtained from Cardinal Mooney Coach Tony Merola.

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Plagued with injuries, Aquinas has been hard pressed in City-Catholic competition. However, according to Father McCarthy, the Irish will be at full strength for the annual Diocesan Track Meet May 31 at the new R.I.T. campus on West Henrietta Rd.

CYO Softball

The annual C.Y.O. Softball League is swinging into its second successful week.

With three games remaining, it is still a toss up for that first spot. The championship between the two divisions will end this year's program.

BLUE DIVISION

Good Shepherd, 3-0; St. Andrew's, 3-0; Lady of Good Counsel, 2-1; Sacred Heart, 1-2; St. Bridget, 1-2; St. Louis, 1-2; St. Joseph, 1-2; Blessed Sacrament, 0-3.

RED DIVISION

Holy Rosary, 3-0; Holy Trinity, 3-0; St. John, 2-1; Mother of Sorrows, 2-1; St. Francis Xavier, 2-1; Christ the King, 2-1; St. Rita, 1-2; St. James, 0-3; Annunciation, 0-3; St. Josephat, 0-3.

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Schools Borrow To Meet Payroll

Philadelphia — (RNS)—The Archdiocese of Philadelphia, for the first time in its history, has been forced to obtain a bank loan to meet a payroll for its 31 high schools.

According to Msgr. Edward T. Hughes, superintendent of schools, the archdiocese borrowed \$375,000 to meet a payroll of \$403,940 due May 25.

"Borrowing to meet operational expenses, if continued too long, is a path that eventually leads to financial chaos," Msgr. Hughes noted.

Church vs. Press In Poland

Wasaw — (RNS) — Poland's bishops have circulated a letter to all priests urging them to oppose the current Polish press campaign against priestly celibacy.

"We do not have the means to counterbalance this propaganda," the letter said, "but we trust in the maturity and in the fidelity of our priests." Echoing their earlier formal support of Pope Paul's ban on married priests in the Latin Rite, the letter stressed that "without a family of his own," a priest is "more free to dedicate himself totally to apostolic duties."

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ND Retreat Schedules

Canandaigua — Retreats for priests, parish laymen, married couples and the Spanish community highlight the June calendar at the Notre Dame Retreat House here. The schedule:

June 14—Private retreat for diocesan clergy.

June 5-7—Men's retreat, St. Theodore, St. Jude, Rochester; Our Lady of Lourdes, St. Anthony, St. Patrick, SS. Peter and Paul, St. Mary, St. John the Baptist, Elmira; St. Patrick, Seneca Falls; St. Patrick, Owego.

June 7—Reunion for all officers of Notre Dame Retreat League and their wives.

June 9-12—Retreat for Basilian Fathers.

June 12-14 — St. Anthony, Immaculate Conception, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, SS. Peter and Paul, St. Joseph, Rochester; St. Casimir, St. Cecilia, Elmira; St. Charles, Elmira Heights; St. Mary, Horseheads; St. Francis, Catatonk; St. John, Newark Valley; St. James, Waverly; St. Mary, Waterloo.

June 14 — Semi-annual meeting of Retreat League officers, coordinators, parish leaders and coleaders.

June 19-21 — Retreat for members of the Spanish community.

June 27-28—Retreat for married couples.

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