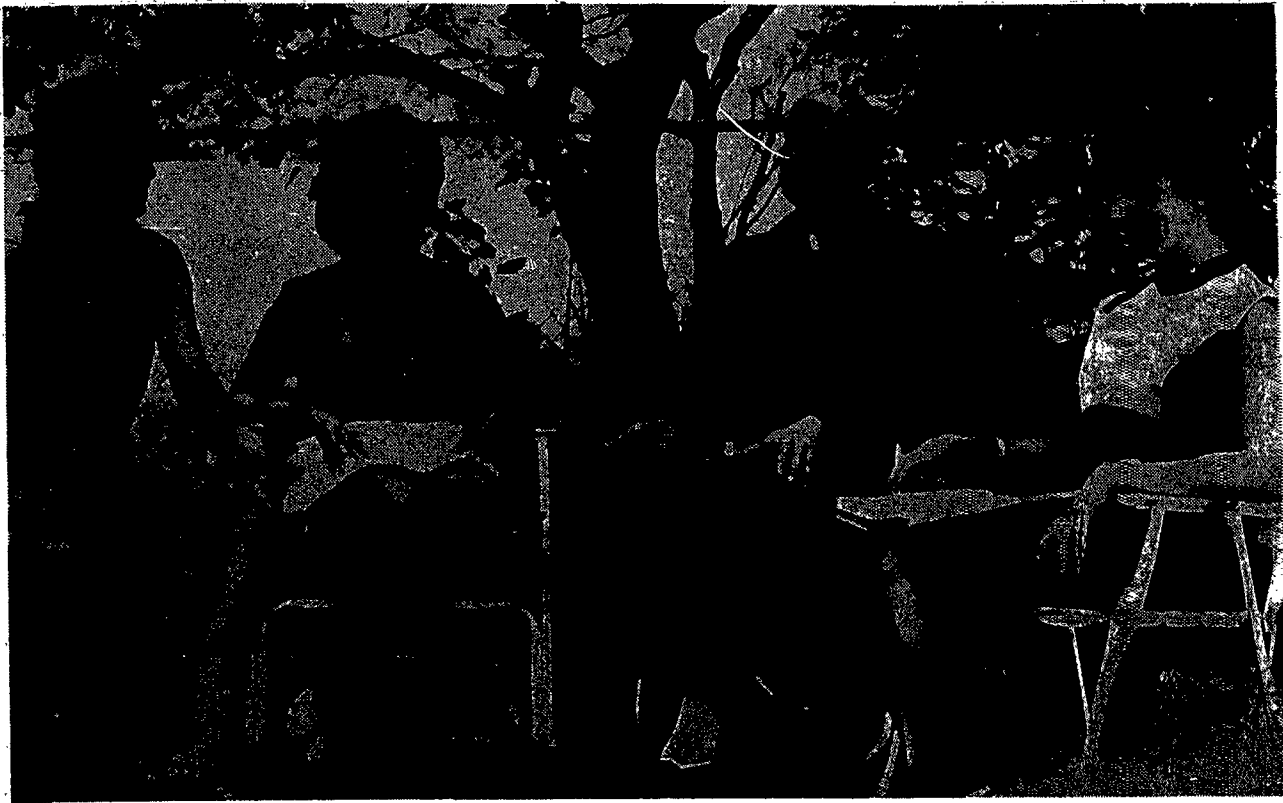


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Leaders of newly-formed Catholic Pre-School Association discuss plans for autumn program. From left are Mrs. John Bigenwald, Mrs. Richard F. Linder, Father David L. Gaesser and Mrs. Edward J. Lind.

Pre-School Group Formed

Attempts of adults in several Rochester area parishes to evolve better methods of starting religious formation among pre-school children have brought about this summer the organization of a new group — the Catholic Pre-School Association.

Scheduled to get under way in more than 23 parishes next month, the program thus far has been confined to gatherings of three-to-five-year old boys and girls during a specified Mass on Sunday mornings throughout the school year.

Some parishes have been conducting such programs for the last two or three years.

Establishment of the Catholic Pre-School Association by representatives of several parishes triggered a decision by the CP-SA to sponsor a series of six

training sessions for adults interested in participating.

Four of the sessions are still to be held. They are slated from 7:30 to 9:30 a.m. on the Tuesdays of September through Sept. 22, at St. Ambrose School Hall. Anyone interested is welcome.

Father David L. Gaesser, assistant pastor of St. John the Evangelist's Church, Humboldt Street, is moderator of the new association. He explained:

"Our purpose is not so much to instruct the children in religion as to help them gain a religious readiness — an awareness of God, or love, and of love of God. . . . We try not so much to teach love of God as to foster it."

Father expects the new association to encourage establish-

ment of the pre-school program in parishes where it does not now operate. He urges anyone interested to attend sessions at St. Ambrose. Officers of the Catholic Pre-School Association are:

Mrs. Edward Lynd, St. Ambrose Parish, president; Mrs. Richard Linder, St. Thomas the Apostle, vice president; Mrs. John Bigenwald, secretary; Mrs. David Winter, Sacred Heart, treasurer.

Committee chairmen include: workshop, Mrs. Linder; training course, Mrs. Barbara Warhol, Christ the King Parish; membership, Mrs. Michael Madigan, St. Ambrose; by-laws, Mrs. Kevin Mahoney, St. John the Evangelist; publicity, Mrs. John Fleig, Our Mother of Sorrows; newsletter, Mrs. John Palomaki, St. Cecilia.



Some of the clergy who officiated at Mass of the Resurrection for Msgr. Wilfred T. Craugh are pictured above. From left are: foreground — Father Robert F. McNamara, Father Raymond Heisel, Bishop Lawrence B. Casey, Bishop Joseph L. Hogan, Father James Moynihan, Auxiliary Bishop John E. McCafferty, Father Joseph F. Brennan, Father William Devoreau, Father Henry Manley, Father Stanislaus Krolak, Msgr. John M. Duffy; rear — Bishop David F. Cunningham, Bishop James E. Kearney, Father Joseph Reinhart.

Five Bishops Attend Msgr. Craugh Rites

Five bishops and scores of priests, Sisters and laity were present at a Mass of the Resurrection for Msgr. Wilfred T. Craugh, P.A., celebrated Wednesday morning Aug. 19 in St. Margaret Mary Church, Irondequoit.

Msgr. Craugh, 69, who spent 43 years of his 46 years in the priesthood as teacher, rector and rector-emeritus of St. Bernard's Seminary, died Aug. 16, 1970. (Details of his life were contained in last week's Courier-Journal.)

Bishop Hogan was principal

celebrant of the Mass, with Bishop Lawrence B. Casey of Paterson and Auxiliary Bishop John E. McCafferty of Rochester as principal concelebrants. Among other concelebrants was Father Joseph P. Brennan, a nephew of Msgr. Craugh, who succeeded him as St. Bernard's rector in 1966.

In the sanctuary were Bishop James E. Kearney, retired fifth bishop of Rochester, and Bishop David F. Cunningham, new bishop of Syracuse. Msgr. Craugh's interment was in the priests' plot at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

In the Mass eulogy, Bishop Kearney selected as his theme Christ's words: "I have done the work thou gavest me to do." Describing Msgr. Craugh as "a great apostle and a great priest," the Bishop said "no man took greater responsibility with such tremendous dedication."

Praising the monsignor's many years of labor as "a maker of priests," Bishop Kearney declared that Msgr. Craugh's greatest monument is the hundreds of priests who studied under his guidance — "pious priests before the altar,

'First' for Diocese

Chaplain Joins Faculty At Ithaca College

Father William E. Graf, chaplain of the Newman Apostolate at Ithaca College since 1965, last week became a staff member of the college faculty.

Father Graf's title on the college staff is "coordinator of counseling and residential learning."

The diocese is expected soon to name another Newman Apostolate chaplain there.

The addition of Father Graf to the college faculty is a "first" for Newman Apostolate chaplains in the Rochester Diocese. He will continue to reside on the campus, and also will continue in a priestly role there and as a weekend assistant at nearby parishes.

Father Graf, a native of Brockport, attended the Church of the Nativity School there. He attended St. Andrews and St. Bernard's Seminaries, and was ordained June 4, 1960 in Sacred Heart Cathedral by Bishop James E. Kearney.

His first assignment was as assistant at Holy Family Church, Rochester. In 1965 he was appointed by Bishop Kearney to the Newman Apostolate at the college and as assistant at Immaculate Conception Church in Ithaca. He became fulltime Newman chaplain in 1966.

Father Graf will counsel students on personal situations and relationships. His service does not displace psychiatric counseling available from Student Health Services, or academic counseling by faculty advisors.

He will coordinate counsel-



Father Graf

ing services for students from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. on weekdays, with weekend hours to be determined according to need. The residential learning program will provide services such as seminars and reading and study skills.

During his five years at Ithaca, Father Graf has served on such committees as campus life, illegal drugs, economic opportunity program and the Martin Luther King Scholarship. He also has served as a part-time instructor, teaching such courses as family health problems, politics of poverty, and American history survey. He also has taught part-time at Nazareth College and Tompkins-Cortland Community College.

Father Graf is a member of the American Historical Association, the American Catholic Historical Association, Phi Alpha Theta, National Council on Family Relations, and the American Academy of Political and Social Science.

New Professors Appointed To Seminary Faculty

St. Bernard's Seminary has announced the appointment of four new faculty members. They are Father H. Joseph Van Torre, SJ, Father James F. Foley, Joseph G. Kelly and Thomas Donohue.

Father Van Torre, a native of Antwerp, and former professor of theology at Louvain University in Belgium, will be teaching dogmatic theology. He received his doctorate in dogmatic theology from Louvain, and has had teaching positions in the United States at the University of San Francisco and at Boston College.

Father Foley, priest of the diocese of Burlington, has been pastor of St. Isidore's Church in Montgomery Center, Vt., for the past few years. He has been appointed assistant librarian at St. Bernard's Seminary.

Joseph G. Kelly, a native of Elmira, received his A.B. degree from St. Bernard's Seminary in 1965. After teaching junior high school at St. Ce-

cilia School, Elmira, for one year, he was awarded a grant to study at the University of Notre Dame. He received the M.A. in Theology in 1968 and is now a Ph.D. candidate in Scripture Study.

While at Notre Dame, Kelly served as president of the Graduate Theological Union and as graduate representative to the All-University forum. He will be teaching Old Testament subjects at St. Bernard's Seminary.

Thomas G. Donohue, a native of Rochester, received his B.Mus. degree at the Eastman School of Music. Besides his duties at St. Bernard's, he is organist and choir director of Old St. Mary's Church, and director of choral music at Bishop Kearney High School. Donohue is a member of the Diocesan Music Commission and a committee member of the American Guild of Organists. He maintains a piano studio at 44 Kings Gate N.

New Monsignor Has Relatives in Area

Among 19 priests of the Diocese of Harrisburg, Pa., who received honorary titles of monsignor on Aug. 20, was one with relatives in the Rochester area.

He is Msgr. William R. Lyons, principal of Delone Catholic High School in McSherystown, Pa. Monsignor's widowed mother is Mrs. Josephine Lyons, 150 Normandy Ave., in St. Augustine's parish. A sister, Mrs. Jacob Stehler, 41 Summer Lane, attends St. John the Evangelist's Church, Greece.