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## Post Office Holy Name To Hold Breakfast

The Rochester Post Office Holy Name Society will hold its 21st annual Communion breakfast March 14 after an 8 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph's Church.

Bishop James E. Kearney, retired Bishop of Rochester, will celebrate the Mass and preach.

Breakfast will follow at the Midtown Tower Restaurant.

Father Joseph Reinhart, diocesan director of Propagation of the Faith will be the principal speaker. The toastmaster will be Bernard Murphy, president of Rochester Letter Carriers. Outgoing president of the Holy Name group, Anthony Di Clementine, will turn over the reins of his office to Joseph Lauricelli.

## Catholic Interracial Council Starts Housing Project

Mayor Stephen May was the featured guest at groundbreaking ceremonies starting construction on a 254-unit moderate-income housing development in Rochester's Third Ward Urban Renewal area. Developer for the project is I C Housing Development Fund Company, the housing arm of the Catholic Interracial Council.

Logic Construction of Rochester will build the \$5.8 million project. The architect is Robert T. Coles.

The development, the first of its size and type in the Third Ward Urban Renewal area, con-

sists of 104 townhouses and a 150-apartment high-rise. The townhouses will include 14 2-bedrooms, 60 3-bedrooms, and 30 4-bedrooms. The high-rise will include 22 studio apartments, 64 one-bedroom, and 64 2-bedroom units.

The project is scheduled for completion by the end of 1972.

According to James Dobson, president of the development corporation, and John Holmes, boardmember of the National Lay Black Catholic Association, the project is to date the largest non-profit housing development in Rochester.

## Dorothy Day Speaks At Sisters' Meeting

Miss Dorothy Day, co-founder of the Catholic Worker Movement in America, and editor of the Catholic Worker newspaper in New York City, was among the speakers participating in a full-day conference for the Sisters of Mercy, Saturday, Feb. 27.

Also highlighting the program at the Blossom Road Motherhouse, was the director of New York City's "Full Circle Associates," Msgr. Robert J. Fox. Father Fox set the theme for the day with the opening talk on "The Apostolic Mission of the Church." Miss Day explained the role of religious women in that mission.

Other guest speakers included Sister Ellen Marie of the Philosophy Department of Marymount College in Tarrytown; and Msgr. William Shannon, head of the Theology Department of Nazareth College. Their topics: "Our task: Creative Fidelity," and "Theology: A Process of Development," respectively.

An internationally respected expert on poverty, Miss Day was one of four Americans invited to attend the World Congress of the Laity in Rome in 1967. She is a frequent speaker

at varied gatherings all over the country, and writes frequently for "Commonweal" magazine. She has also authored two books, "From Union Square to Rome," and her autobiography "The Long Loneliness." She recently returned from a trip to the Far East.

Msgr. Fox, a champion of the Spanish-speaking poor in Harlem, has a masters degree in social welfare and served his internship in Monroe County.

In July 1967, Msgr. Fox personally led candlelight processions of singing people through the streets of New York to curtail riots among Puerto Ricans.

Msgr. Shannon, a native of Rochester, is chairman of the Diocesan Liturgical Commission and co-founder of the local Priests' Association. Recently, he edited a volume entitled "The Lively Debate."

The program Saturday which ran from 10:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. also included panels, question periods, films and prayer services.

## Police Instruct Parish Pupils

Police Commissioner John A. Mastrella "went to school" last week and helped distribute "Lock It Or Lose It" booklets at Corpus Christi School, 880 Main St. E.

The booklets are being distributed in all parochial schools by the school safety officers of the Rochester Police Department under the supervision of Sgt. Jerry Moynihan. The distribution within the City School District is being accomplished by the local Parent-Teacher Association Organizations.

Mastrella addressed students of the upper grades and spoke on crime prevention. The students were told to encourage their parents to lock both their homes and their cars to prevent burglaries and larcenies.

### CARDINAL DIES

Rio de Janeiro — (RNS) — Jaime Cardinal de Barros Camara, Archbishop of Rio de Janeiro, died Feb. 18 of a lung collapse while visiting the shrine of Our Lady of Aparecida in Sao Paulo State. He was 76.

## Sister Ramona Pena Addresses Area Students

An intense Brooklyn-based nun held more than 200 representatives of the student bodies of eight diocesan Catholic high schools spellbound last Friday as she outlined for them effects student power has had on the state Legislature.

Sister Ramona Pena, director of student activities for the schools office of the Archdiocese of Brooklyn, asked the representatives gathered in the CYO's ballroom if they thought their schools were worth saving.

She then narrated the many techniques students in Brooklyn are using to urge passage of the Speno-Lerner bill, an aid plan for parents of parochial school students, which is presently in committee.

Known as the sister who led a delegation of Brooklyn students to Albany to lobby for Speno-Lerner, Sister Ramona insists: "I don't actually do anything. I just ask the kids if they think their schools are worth saving and they take it from there."

## Cornell Professor City Club Speaker

"Our Self-Centered Citizenry" will be the topic at the City Club's breakfast this Saturday, March 7, at the Flagship.

The speaker, Andrew Hacker, is professor of government at Cornell University and author of "The End of the American Era." He has served as a consultant to various governmental and private agencies.

## More Letters

### A Letter To Governor

Editor:

Please reprint this letter sent Feb. 22 to the Governor:

Dear Governor Rockefeller:

I was surprised and indeed perplexed at your recent reaction to a question about parent-aid legislation for parents of non-public elementary and secondary students.

Please leave to the courts the questions of constitutionality, and the knotty issues of prejudice and discrimination.

Give the non-public schools the opportunity, with an equitable share of public education money, to serve the State of New York's minority citizens, and I will guarantee that you will not find them prejudicial or discriminatory.

I am enclosing for your information copies of enrollment statistics of our inner city schools in Rochester. I think this information is proof of what we want to do, and will do much more if we have the money.

Your approach to pluralism in educational matters in the past requires, in my judgment, that you support financial aid to all agencies in the state which share the educational burdens of the state.

I have the distinct impression this year that you ought not discourage—may indeed—virtually eliminate those 2038 non-public schools which in 1969-1970 enrolled over 872,000 pupils. No one should know better than you that the parents of these children can not

alone meet the escalating cost of education.

Governor Rockefeller, New York State needs its private schools. You have many, many times in the past acknowledged this. Please show us that you were sincere in saying that.

Father Leon G. Hart,  
Associate Superintendent of Schools

### Let's Overrule Aid Veto

Editor:

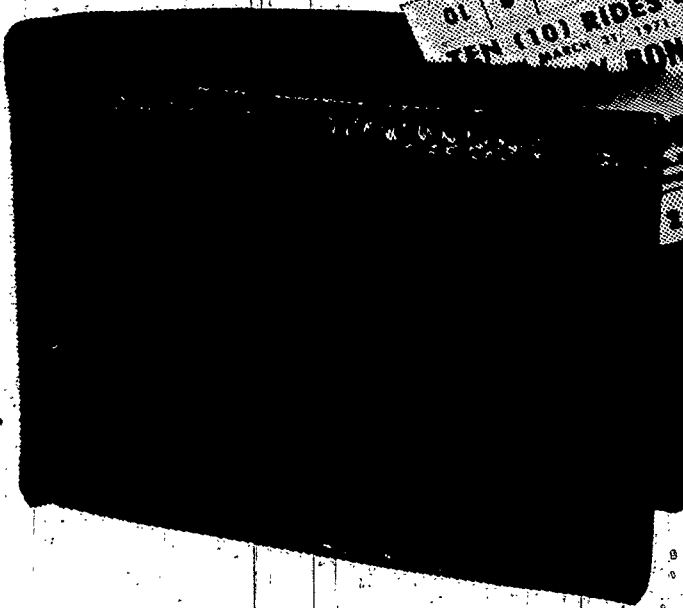
May I state a citizen's opposition to Gov. Rockefeller's phony alarm that state aid to church schools will undermine the public school system? It was a cheap scare. The money provided as tuition-aid to parents of parochial-schoolers would run into millions but it would be minimal when compared with the state's present education budget of billions. Neither the governor nor anyone else thinks that public educators would let the Legislature cut a penny out of that budget.

Our governor also falsely frightens the newsreaders by warning white pupils will flee into the non-integrated private schools if state aid helps build a racial sanctuary. The proposed bill requires that a school may accept only 15 per cent enrollment growth after the bill is passed. Further growth would go without parent aid for the next five years.

I hope our legislators will warn the governor they will overrule his veto on Speno-Lerner Bill.

—Thomas O'Neil,  
Rochester

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