

Pope: Gospel Is Part of Christian-Aid

Vatican City (RNS) — The "Christian action of aid and assistance" must not be limited to purely social, economic and cultural aspects of world development. Pope Paul told members of a Vatican agency which coordinates Catholic groups engaged in relief and development.

He said this would make such humanitarian efforts "fall short not only of the vocation of the Apostles (to preach the Gospel) but also of the inspiration which rises from the depths of the human heart, and finally lead man along a dead end road."

Speaking to members of the Pontifical Cor Unum Council, the Pope said Cor Unum's work "must... reach the point of harmonizing without imposing, of coordinating without commanding, of unity without amalgamation."

Praising the many benefactors that make Christian charity possible, the pontiff reminded the Cor Unum delegates not to "lose sight" of the fact that the exercise of Christian charity is made possible by the "infinite generosity" of God.

Recalling the tasks of Cor Unum, now in its second year, the Pope said one major goal is "to make the Church ever more resplendent and effective in its mission of charity."

Pope Paul said the Church "owes men the testimony of Christ's love, a testimony made by abundant generosity but also by the unity of her inspiration and by complete harmony in her achievement."

WAKOWSKI READING

Poet Diane Wakowski will appear at the Jewish Community Center at 8 p.m. tomorrow, Dec. 14, to read and discuss her work. Ms. Wakowski's work has been highly lauded by the literary press.

New Hospital Guild Honors Dr. MacDonald

Hornell — The MacDonald Guild, a new unit of the St. James Mercy Hospital multiple auxiliary, organized by women of the North Jasper Mothers Club and the Mod Mommas Mothers Club of Jasper held their first meeting at the hospital recently.

Composed of two separate mothers clubs, members are combining forces for the guild named in honor of Fayette D. MacDonald, M.D., who practiced and served Woodhull and the surrounding rural area for 35 years prior to his retirement. Dr. MacDonald was also a member of the hospital medical staff. He presently resides in New England.

According to Mrs. Eloise McCaig, president of the North Jasper Mothers Club and Mrs. Valerie Button, president of the Mod Mommas Mothers Club, Dr. MacDonald was known as "our beloved doctor". Regard

Rosary, Altar Hosts Party For Elderly

Bath — Highlighting the December meeting of St. Mary's Rosary and Altar Society was a Christmas party hosted by its members for patients at the Steuben County Infirmary Dec. 11. Each member was asked to bring a gift marked for either a man or woman.

The Maple City Chorus under the direction of Gary Fisk of Canistota entertained with Christmas songs and old time favorites. Society members met in the church for the recitation of the Rosary and a short report on the recent women's retreat and then left directly for the infirmary.

Hornell Area Notes

Hornell—Members of the staff of the St. Ann's CCD program will be feted at a party Dec. 19 at the Sons of Italy Hall.

Hornell — A communal Penance Service will be held at St. Ignatius Church, Wednesday, Dec. 20.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Dansville — A pre-school get acquainted Christmas party for children who will enter St. Mary's kindergarten in September will be held Tuesday, Dec. 19, 9:30 — 11:30 a.m. in the school hall.

Deaths

H. Krenzer

Herman J. Krenzer of East Henrietta Road died Dec. 3, 1972, at the age of 74. Mass of the Resurrection was celebrated Dec. 6 at Good Shepherd Church.

He is survived by two brothers, Ray Krenzer of Olean and Thomas Krenzer of Henrietta; and one sister, Mrs. Harold Kase of Lima.

Mr. Krenzer was a member of the Holy Name Society of Good Shepherd Parish, and served as a charter trustee of the parish.

He was also a member of the Henrietta Volunteer Fire Department, and the Henrietta Volunteer Ambulance Service.

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for the physician, they noted, is best described in the Woodhull High School yearbook, Woodhull, 1961, which was dedicated to Dr. MacDonald and in part reads, "In the past 26 years, besides delivering babies, you have doctored all kinds of ills and in emergencies have been 'Johnny-on-the-spot.' You have always been deeply interested in our community and in our school. This eventful life of yours is bound tightly with community ties, and we want you to know that you have earned the love and respect of Woodhull people and of people for many miles around, and that we appreciate the many things you have done for us."

Joining with the Women's Board, its units, and the Kieran Guild, the new guild will permit persons in the same geographical location to work together with a common interest by participating in fund raising activities to purchase equipment which will be of benefit to patients and their families.

Members of the guild were welcomed by Sister Mary Rene, administrator, at a get-acquainted tea. They were given tours of the hospital facilities by Mrs. Edith McGuckin, public relations director and William Connors, assistant administrator.

Members who attended the meeting included: Mrs. Allen Talbot, Mrs. Earl Hayes, Mrs. Elmer Butler, Mrs. James Marlott, Mrs. Rita McCaig, Mrs. Valerie Button, Mrs. Barry Cornell, Mrs. Margaret Walrath and Mrs. Rose Marie Flint. Also, Mrs. Nickie Adams, Mrs. Arlene Marlatt, Mrs. Dorothy Bouton, Mrs. Eloise McCaig, Mrs. Isabel Bouton, Mrs. Arlene Brewer, Mrs. John Dennis, Mrs. Maynard Brewer, Mrs. Larry Van Fleet, Mrs. Freeman Allen and Mrs. James Bouton.

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Father Grasso Day

Father Dominic Grasso, pastor emeritus of Mt. Morris's St. Patrick's Church, stands with the village's mayor, Santo Annalora, at a recent "Father Grasso Day" celebration, honoring the priest's 38 years of service to the community. Telegrams and letters of congratulations arrived from President Nixon, Gov. Rockefeller, Sen. Thomas McGowan and Assemblyman James Emery.

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