

Fund Is a People-to-People Venture

Perhaps the most heartwarming aspect of the annual Courier-Journal Christmas Fund is the fact that it is a people-to-people venture.

For instance, last year more than 1,100 contributions were received, indicating widespread participation in offering Christmas assistance to those left needy by the accidents of life. Equally gratifying was the news that some 1,600 families were helped last year.

Father Joseph D'Aurizio, director of Catholic Charities, said, "We are very encouraged by the response of people. It just emphasizes the fact that so many people really and truly have deep charity in their hearts."

"The recent Gospel 'as long as you did it to one of these . . . you did it to me' comes to mind.

"It is in this way that we really feed the hungry and clothe the naked. This is carrying out the spiritual and corporal works of mercy."

You may contribute more than money. Toys, clothing and other gifts are needed to make sure that Christmas is not just another day for many.

A portion of this year's contributions will be used to help those suffering losses through the June flood in the Southern Tier and who need special help this Christmas.

All of the cases listed among the neediest in the diocese are true. They, however, represent only a fraction of the total caseload being handled by the Catholic Family Center. You are invited to contribute to individual cases but because some receive a great deal of attention and others none, the center must use its expertise in aiding as many as possible.

Contributions should be sent to:

Courier-Journal Christmas Fund
Care of Catholic Charities
50 Chestnut St.
Rochester, N. Y. 14604



Three Area Priests Slated to Retire

Three priests of the Rochester Diocese will retire from their pastorates in January, the Pastoral Office announced this week.

Msgr. William J. Naughton of St. Anne's, Rochester, and Father Edward H. Hartmann of St. Mary of the Assumption, Scottsville, have reached retirement age, the announcement said, and Father William J. Riefer of St. Joseph's, Wayland, is retiring because of his health.

Msgr. Charles V. Boyle, who has been pastor of St. John's on Humboldt Street, Rochester, since 1959, will move to St. Anne's. Other replacements will be announced in about two weeks.

Msgr. Naughton received his title as a domestic prelate in 1957. A priest for 45 years, he has spent half that time at St. Anne's. He was assigned to the parish in June, 1950, when it was 20 years old. In his first year there, he bought a nine-room house for use as a convent. Later, he directed a fund drive that led to the building of the present church, opened in 1959.

He was born in Rochester, and attended Corpus Christi School, and the diocesan seminaries. Ordained in 1927, he was assigned to Holy Rosary. He continued to assist there while on the staff of St. Bernard's Seminary, 1932-1945. He became pastor of St. Peter and Paul, Elmira, in 1945. During the following year, the parish property was damaged heavily by a Chemung River flood. The work of cleaning, restoring and rebuilding continued into 1949.

Father Hartmann, ordained from St. Bernard's in June, 1928, has been Scottsville pastor since 1941. Under his direction, a new building was provided to serve as a parish meeting place and catechetical center.

He is a native of Rochester, where he attended St. Mary's School before entering St. Andrew's Seminary. His early assignments were at Sacred Heart and St. Monica's, Rochester; St. Patrick's, Elmira, and St. Patrick's, Owego.

Father Riefer, who taught (Continued on Page 2)



A Moment of Meditation

Sister Anna Louise, SSJ, pauses for a moment's silence at confirmation ceremonies last week at St. John the Evangelist Parish, Greece. Sister Anna Louise directed the choir at the rites which are featured in this week's Centerfold.

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NEEDIEST CASES

Mr. R. has recently arrived here from Puerto Rico. In Puerto Rico Mr. R. drove semitractor trailer trucks and had completed a year of college evenings. Mr. R. does not speak English and therefore has only been able to achieve employment in a downtown restaurant as a maintenance man. His \$100 a week salary doesn't go far for a family of 11.

Mrs. A. is 23 and expecting a baby in a few months. She is separated from her husband who has left the state and she is receiving welfare assistance. With the material assistance and emotional support of a caseworker she is preparing a small apartment for the arrival of her baby. She will need much more than what her meager welfare budget will provide.

Mrs. B., a young, retarded mother is separated from her husband and is trying to make a home for her 9-year-old son. She is a very loving mother and with the patient guidance of a caseworker has made great progress in providing an adequate and secure home for her son. Mrs. B. will continue to need the guid-

ance and support of a caseworker and extra money would be helpful in providing for a happier Christmas for this little family.

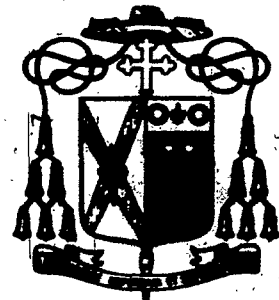
Mr. C. was deserted by his wife and is making a valiant effort to make a home for his 2-year-old son. He refuses to consider placement in a foster home since he feels it is his responsibility to rear his son. Mr. C. works when he is able, but because of serious medical problems is presently unemployed. He manages well on his welfare budget but is unable to provide his son with a little extra for Christmas. Your contributions would make it possible to provide clothes and toys for this child.

Mrs. D., a 60-year-old woman was deserted by her husband several years ago. She struggled to rear her own three sons and is now trying to raise a teen-age nephew whose own mother deserted. Her income from Social Security is limited and the expense of providing adequately for a teen-age boy is a strain on her budget. She is providing love and security. Your contributions would lighten her burden in

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Wednesday, December 13, 1972

Diocesan Appointments



RETIREMENTS

Msgr. William J. Naughton, from the pastorate of St. Anne's, Rochester.

Father Edward H. Hartmann, from the pastorate of St. Mary of the Assumption, Scottsville.

Father William J. Riefer from the pastorate of St. Joseph's, Wayland.

NEW PASTOR

Msgr. Charles V. Boyle, pastor of St. John the Evangelist, Rochester, to the pastorate of St. Anne's, Rochester, effective Jan. 5.

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