

# Knights' Charities To Be Highlighted At Dinner-Dance

When the Knights of Columbus gather at the Towne House on Saturday, March 30, they will be noting both the end of their annual Brotherhood Week and the start of another year of constant activity on behalf of many area charities.

Bishop Joseph L. Hogan will receive a check, which he, in turn, will distribute to various social and charitable agencies in the diocese.

The check will be presented by

Anthony B. Caramele, state deputy of the fraternal organization.

Besides the "Bishop's Burse" check, the Knights have contributed directly to such organizations as the School of the Holy Childhood and St. Joseph's Infirmary for aged and ailing Sisters of St. Joseph.

Each year the Knights also present entertainment and gifts to the veterans at the Bath Veterans Hospital, and to the



**CARAMELE**  
residents of St. Ann's Home.

Senior citizens are also a major personal concern of many Knights who help the aged attend Mass, and see to their other needs.

The Knights sponsor college scholarships, conduct blood drives for the American Red Cross, and organize activities for the boys at Industry, St. Joseph's Villa and the Martin de Porres Center.

Both Mayor Thomas Ryan and Joseph Ferrari, president of the county legislature, issued proclamations declaring this week Knights of Columbus Brotherhood Week.

The gala dinner — dance which will close the week will be attended by more than 200 religious civic and organizational dignitaries. The festivities begin at 6:30 p.m. with a social hour, followed by a roast sirloin dinner and dancing to the Music Shop Orchestra.

The week will also be marked by the annual state-wide Knights of Columbus Bowling Tournament, which is being held this year in Webster.

Heading the planning and promotion of Brotherhood Week activities are Timothy Halpin, ticket chairman, and Thomas Grosodonia, auxiliary state chairman of council activities.

## CORE Founder To Speak Here

James L. Farmer, veteran leader of the civil rights movement, will speak at 8 p.m. tomorrow, March 28, in Irondequoit High School.

Farmer, a founder of the Congress of Racial Equality in 1942 and an organizer of the "freedom rides" that spread through the South in the early sixties, served as an assistant secretary of Health, Education and Welfare in the first Nixon administration. He will talk about The Unfinished Task of American Education, under the auspices of the West Irondequoit PTA Council and other school groups, including the School committee of St. Margaret Mary parish.

# Sister Martinella 90

BY DOMENICK WHITE

Sister Mary Martinella, SSND, will celebrate her 90th birthday March 25 at the Lourdes Health Care Center, a wing of the School Sisters of Notre Dame's motherhouse in Wilton, Conn.

Sister served as both teacher and principal of Holy Ghost School during the 1920s and 1930s. She also served at Holy Family and St. Boniface in Rochester and Anna Reis, who as an 18-year-old housekeeper in the brand new St. Theodore's parish in Gates, remembers Sister's help.

"In 1925 she came out to help me with the necessary altar linens for the church. She also was a talented artist. She painted the gold leaf on the church altar of the new parish."

Mrs. Mary Knoepfler also remembers Sister.

"She worked awfully hard. When the women would help with the annual chicken dinner and lawn social there was Sister taking her turn at the hot coal stove cooking chicken or helping

with the serving. Why she would even bottle the extra gravy and sell it to help make the festival a success. We all loved her."

Whether it was teaching (at one point, four classes in one room) or painting the Sacred Heart of Jesus for parishioners' homes, or decorating Christmas cards by hand for others, or cheering up a classroom blackboard with delightful scenes, Sister Martinella did it.

She became a nun from Holy Family parish, taking her final vows in 1913.

## ON THE RIGHT SIDE

### More about Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen's Retreat Tapes:

#### From Brother Ignatius [Salvatore Disano], SVD

Greatly appreciated your letter of February. We don't know what to expect in New Guinea. A year ago the expatriates were welcomed to leave N.G., but the country needs the skills for running of businesses. So the expatriates are being asked to remain. Many teachers have had special letters from the Government to remain for some years. We have 35 native priests and one native Bishop who was with the Marists. A few native priests have left the priesthood.

"Those Bishop Sheen tapes I'd very much like. I guess I will ask my sister in Seneca Falls to give me my Christmas present now, the Sheen tapes. Our bishop said you must be a busy man — active. He was surprised when I told him how young you are. I keep you in my daily Mass and Rosary."

#### To Leon and Rose Stanziana, Clyde, N.Y.

The enclosed letter from Brother Ignatius came March 14. When I write to him I always enclose news of Clyde and the diocese. The last time I enclosed the huckster letter sent to our local clergy recommending Bishop Sheen's Retreat for Gary, Indiana clergy, available on cassette tapes. Brother Ignatius reply has set me to thinking.

(1) If I were 11,200 miles from home I should be thrilled to have the inspiration of the Sheen talks. Even missionaries need stimulus to give them fresh verve in a difficult work. (2) It must be disheartening to have trained and ordained native clergy, our very special hope, and to have some quit. Probably the Sheen conference will deepen the devotion of the native religious — priests, Brothers and Sisters, as well as of the missionaries. Thus Our Lord and the Church in His people are served the more. (3) Their own bishop surely will be inspired by the talks. And when a bishop is inspired, the whole flock is inspired. (4) I am intrigued by Brother's sentence. He was surprised when I told him how young you are. Is this a confusion from the pidgin English Brother and the natives use? Or do I come through as a tottering old man?

"Now I give you a mission. Since Brother I is a native of Clyde, he is 'our own' in a special way. His words: 'I guess I'll ask my sister in Seneca Falls to give

me my Christmas present now indicate a strong desire for the Retreat talks. This morning I went to the Post Office with my last set. There are eight cassettes with 15 talks. Each set weighs two pounds and costs \$9.61 to send Air Mail. It could be sent by boat, but that takes from three to five months for delivery and danger of theft is greater. Will you ask the Newark Council of the K of C to pay for the costs? \$19.95 for the tapes, plus \$9.61 for postage? Or if the Catholic Daughters want to make the donation, fine. I think God will bless anyone or any group which is zealous in spreading love and loyalty to Jesus Christ and Him, crucified."

#### To the OSV Lady: Miss Casarda, Gary Indiana

"I am mad at myself. Thursday Father Ed Shamon, the numero uno ecclesiastical entrepreneur of the diocese phones: 'I need three sets of Bishop Sheen's tapes now. Do you have them?' 'Yes, Father Ed. I go to Auburn tomorrow, and will bring them with me. Have a check for \$60.00 ready. The OSV needs the cash. It's all non-profit.' He laughed and had the check ready. Father Ray Wahl was at the rectory. 'Have you an extra set? I'd like one.' He got the last set of the 15 you sent. But we are to have two clergy conferences coming up. If I had the tapes, many priests would get them because they are so easily available. Instead I am like the grocer who is always out of tomato soup because it is so popular. Not only the priests and sisters are enthusiastic. A great Catholic Daughter, Mrs. Conrad Wolf of Rochester and Bavaria phones yesterday. 'I got the tapes yesterday and played the first one while ironing. It is wonderful. Conrad and I will listen to one every few days, so we can think on the message. I will bring it to the next CDA meeting.'

"Will you please send me 20 sets to have on hand for any who want them quickly?"

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