

WORD FOR SUNDAY



Fr. **Albert Shamon**

Sunday's Readings: (R3) Jn. 20:1-9; (R1) Acts 10:34, 37-43; (R2) Col. 3:1-4.

With Easter, we arrive at the heart of the Church Year. In fact with Easter, the Church Year took its origin. Rightly, the early Church saw the Redemption of greater importance for man than the birth of Jesus.

Said: I to Death,
"Thou cruel one,
Thou takest life
from me."

Business In The Diocese



Robert W. Conway has been appointed sales manager for Lobene & Hayes, Inc., according to Edward Lobene, president. This locally-owned and operated plumbing and heating business is now in its 48th year of service. Conway will be working principally with architects, engineers, builders, industries and businesses.



HAADEED



ASHLEY

Two senior officers of Sibley Corporation, the mortgage banking subsidiary of Security New York State, have been promoted.

Stephen B. Ashley has been named president and chief executive officer and Victor P. Hadeed becomes executive vice president. Ashley joined the firm in 1968 and served as executive vice president since 1970. He lives in Honeoye with his wife and three children and serves on the council of the Episcopal Diocese.

Hadeed joined the company in 1971 as vice president. He resides with his wife and four children in Pittsford. He is president of the Executive Board of the Bishop Sheen Housing Foundation.

Henry F. Brayer, former president of Christopher Press, has been named president emeritus of the firm. Richard F. Limpert, who has been vice president, will become president. E. Alice Ruppertsberger, office manager, has been named assistant vice president. The announcements were made by Martin Q. Moll, chairman of the board.

Said Death to me,
"Thou fool one,
I give but
life to thee."

His passage from death to resurrection to the giving of the Holy Spirit (the Paschal Mystery) was the reason for His birth. He came to die, to die that man might live.

Sunday, the day of the resurrection, was chosen to celebrate the Redemption weekly. But the Sunday for celebration was the one that commemorated the actual resurrection of Jesus—Easter Sunday.

Today the Easter triduum remains the center of the Church's Year. Beginning with the evening Mass of Holy Thursday, the Paschal mystery reaches its climax with the Mass of Easter Eve, when converts are baptized—dying and rising with Christ to the new life of grace.

The first reading gives Peter's last sermon recorded in Acts. In a nutshell, it tells that God has chosen certain men to be witnesses of the Lord as risen. St. Paul teaches His resurrection is a guarantee of ours—where the Head is there also shall the body be (R2). St. John shows us that faith begins with belief in the resurrection (R3).

A Mohammedan and a Christian found themselves seated next to each other on a plane going to the Near East. The Mohammedan was headed for Mecca, and the Christian for Jerusalem.

The conversation was typical of such travelers, friendly and all that. But as the plane put down, the Mohammedan said, "I feel sorry for you. I will be going to Mecca and there see the tomb and body of Mohammed. You are going to Jerusalem and all you'll find is an empty tomb."

The Christian replied, "Sir, that is precisely the difference!"

"The glory of Christianity is not the empty tomb, but a living Lord. It is not the tomb that is vital, but the One who occupied it and is alive forevermore."

He reigns and is active in our world now.

He has inspired the world's greatest men and its holiest women.

He walks with us in our sorrows until our hearts burn within us.

He comes to those who labor and are heavily burdened and refreshes them.

He is here with us to overcome the problems that face all who seek Him.

Engineers on railroads dislike moonlight nights. The reason for this is that moonlight produces shadows which the engineers must fight constantly. There is a shadow on the tracks just ahead. It looks like a man, a horse, or a tree—but it is not. It is only a harmless shadow of something extending across the track.

We, all of us, spend a lot of time and energy just fighting shadows. We tend to mistrust God and see great troubles looming up ahead. Time after time, we have come to a worry place. The women going to the tomb on Easter morn wondered, "Who will roll back the stone for us?" When they got there, they found the problem non-existent. God had removed it.

Yet we scarcely overcome one problem, before we start looking into the future for new ones. We forget He promised for all times: "My grace is enough for you." Happy Easter!

RETREAT

Homell — The annual retreat for men of St. Ignatius will be held at the Notre Dame Retreat House, April 11, 12, and 13. More information may be obtained by contacting the parish representative, Dick Glancy (324-4412).

Deaths

Mrs. H. Gunlocke

Wayland — A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 10 a.m. Mar. 19 in St. Joseph's Church for Mrs. Helen Vogt Gunlocke, 64, of West Naples Street, who died Mar. 16, 1975, at Noyes Memorial Hospital, Dansville, following a short illness.

A native and life-long resident of Wayland, she attended Nazareth College, Rochester, was a member of the Board of Directors of Noyes Memorial Hospital, Dansville and was a member of St. Joseph's Church.

Survivors include her husband, Howard W. Gunlocke; two daughters, Mrs. Stephen H. Levine of Norwood, Mass., and Mrs. Robert C. Graham III of Washington, Ind.; a son, William H. of Rocky River, Ohio; a sister, Mrs. James S. McLaughlin of Wayland and six grandchildren.

T. O'Sullivan

Watertown — Mass of the Resurrection was celebrated March 8 at St. Patrick's Church for Thomas J. O'Sullivan of Sackets Harbor Road who died at Mercy Hospital, March 6, 1975, after a brief illness. Burial was in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Victor.

Mr. O'Sullivan, who was 88, was well known in the area for his yearly crops of strawberries, melons and sweet corn. He had been associated with the strawberry business since 1908. He was born in the Town of Perinton, educated in Victor and

Women's Retreat Slated in April

Elmira — Father Bartholomew J. O'Brien, pastor of St. Mary Our Mother Parish in Horseheads, will lead the Women's Retreat League in retreat at Our Lady's Villa in Mt. Pocono, Pa., the weekend of April 18-20.

Reservations will be accepted on a first-come basis until the capacity of the retreat house is reached. Reservation forms are available through Miss Mary E. Fitzgerald, 729 West Clinton St., Elmira 14905.

EVENSONG

Evensong, a service of evening prayer, hymns and lessons, will be held at Christ Church Cathedral, East Avenue at Broadway, on Sunday, April 6, 1975, at 4 P.M.

lived most of his life in Watertown.

He is survived by three sons, Edwin of Victor; Daniel, of Burville, and Donald of Sackets Harbor; nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

A. J. Cirre

Andrew J. Cirre of St. Paul Boulevard, a retired public accountant died March 20, 1975, in St. Mary's Hospital, after a long illness. He was 69 years old.

The Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Monday at St. Margaret Mary Church.

Mr. Cirre was born in Avon and had lived in Irondequoit for the past 20 years. He was a member of the New York State Public Accountants Association.

Survivors are his widow, Ann; a son, Paul; daughter-in-law, Kathleen, and a grandson; a sister and two brothers, Josephine Chafel and Samuel Cirre, Rochester, and Frank Cirre, California.

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