

Knights of St. John — Testimonial dinner, Saturday evening, Feb. 28, Party House, Beahan Road, Lester C. Burke chairman.

Southwest Golden Agers — Meeting at 34 Monica St., 1:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 20.

Natural Family Planning — Information meeting sponsored by diocesan Office of Family Life, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 20; Holy Rosary school library, 420 Lexington Ave.

Gates Chili Chamber of Commerce — Tuesday noon, Feb. 24 Sheraton Airport Inn, speaker, Robert Tylock, of state transportation department on status of area highway development.

Greece Chamber of Commerce — Meeting 12:15 p.m. tomorrow, Ridgmont Country Club, Donald Barry, of Industrial Management Council, speaker.

Business and Professional Women's Club — Charter luncheon, installation of officers, 1 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 22, Oak Hill Country Club.

Divorced Catholics Group — At St. Charles Borromeo school, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 22. Speakers, Peter Sullivan, Peter Carpino, from Rochester Mental Health Center.

Ham Dinner — Sponsored by Boy Scout Troop 83, St. James parish, 6:7-30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 20, church hall, 109 Brockley Rd.

Spaghetti Dinner — St. Francis Xavier, 336 Bay St., noon until 5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 22.

Japanese Luncheon — For men and women, noon-2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 25, YWCA, 175 North Clinton. Child care available. Reservations: 546-5820.

Senior Citizen Matinees — Thursdays at 1:30 p.m., Dryden Theatre, Eastman House, 900 East Ave. Tomorrow, Ninotchka, starring Greta Garbo, Melvyn Douglas; Feb. 26, Broadway Melody of 1940, Fred Astaire and Eleanor Powell; Free.

Saturday Afternoons for Kids — At Light Impressions, Midtown Plaza Lincoln Tower walkway, 3 p.m. Feb. 21, Diane Ingh reading Graham Greene's *The Little Train*; Feb. 28, Donna Byers reading Ludwig Bemmelman's *Madelaine*.

Card Party — Given by St. Jude's Marian League, 8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 24 parish center, 4100 Lyell Road.

Benefit Boutique — Sale of handmade gift items, plants, etc. organized by volunteers for American Cancer Society, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 28, at 8 Pine St.

Eastman Philharmonia Orchestra — Conducted by Donald Johanos of Pittsburgh Symphony, 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 20, Eastman Theatre, Free.

Guys and Dolls — Broadway musical presented by drama department, SUC Genesee, 7:30 p.m. Feb. 18-21, Wadsworth Auditorium.

Spanish Promenade — Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Isaiah Jackson, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Dome Arena; featuring The Royal Family of the Guitar — Celedonio Romero and his three sons.

Mozart Mini-Festival — Final segment, 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 22, Christ Church Cathedral, East Avenue at Broadway, Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by David Zimman.

Early American Music — Margaret Johnson, pianist, and Emory Morris, tenor, in Memorial Art Gallery program, 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 22.

RIT Metro Gallery — Paintings and drawings by Robert Taugher, Feb. 20-March 19, 50 W. Main. Opening reception 4-8 p.m. Feb. 20.

Deadline

Calendar items should be mailed to the Courier-Journal Calendar Desk, 67 Chestnut St., Rochester, N.Y. 14604. Deadline is Wednesday noon, one week ahead of the publication date.

Double Celebration At St. Mary's

Dansville — The bells of St. Mary's rang out as the Bicentennial flag was raised in the school yard, signalling the start of last week's American anniversary celebration. Special activities designed to develop a sense of history served also as a celebration of Catholic Schools Week.

Every classroom had an exhibit of articles suggesting the past, and the public was invited in to look around. Eighth graders decorated the auditorium with large drawings of famous figures. Children in the primary grades were taken on a tour of the museum and introduced to the life history of Clara Barton, who

was born here in 1821 and founded the American Red Cross 60 years later.

Grandparents were invited for tea, parents had their own "night" and all grades were represented in a stage performance that was followed by a dance. Friday was "red, white and blue dress-up day" — no uniforms.

A special liturgy in honor of the Blessed Virgin capped the activities devised by Sister Patricia, principal, and her teachers.

Crowley to Be Speaker for Century Club

James (Sleepy Jim) Crowley, one of Notre Dame's legendary Four Horsemen, will be the guest speaker at the Century Club Dinner Dance of Bishop Kearney High School, which will be held at the Party House on Beahan Road Friday, Feb. 27.

It was in their senior season of 1924 that the famed Four Horsemen led the Fighting Irish to a 13-7 victory over Army at New York's Polo Grounds.

Crowley went on to become backfield coach at the University of Georgia and head football coach at Michigan State and Fordham University.

In 1962, he was elected by 400 sportswriters and sportscasters as halfback on the all-time Notre Dame football team. Crowley is also a member of the College Hall of Fame at Rutgers University and the National Football Foundation Hall of Fame.

The BKHS Century Club is a group of local business and professional men who annually donate \$100 to the school's general fund in order to aid needy students and to help keep the school's tuition cost at a non-burdensome level. Robert Roth, one of the club's founders, is chairman of this year's dinner-dance, the only social event the club sponsors.

Anyone who is interested in joining the Century Club and in attending this dinner-dance should contact Dick Costello, president, at the Oakley & McNamee Agency (482-6660) or Marge Sullivan at Bishop Kearney High School (342-4000).

have against Kung — other than his popularity?

The best they can do is play the theological game of quibbling over vocabulary. Anyone who attempts to communicate with ordinary people must forsake the precise technical vocabulary so beloved by professional theologians. He will then necessarily be open to the attack from those who think that religion should be the prerogative of theologians and protected from possible misunderstanding by ordinary people. If you break this rule you will be nit-picked to death.

It may well be that as years go on the categories Kung has used in "Christ Sein" will be modified by himself or by other writers. St. Thomas Aquinas was condemned and his books were burned at Oxford. He was too popular for the theologians of his time. It is clearly a mistake to try to innovate!

Fortunately, the situation in the post-Conciliar church is such that theologians have nothing else to do but attack Kung. There are no more serious dangers than the Swiss theologian, it would seem, to the reforms begun by the Council. Kung's Curia opponents must be delighted. You get the theologians fighting among themselves and you don't have to worry about them at all.

Perhaps the worst aspect of the current "get Kung" campaign is that Walter Kasper has joined the assault. Kasper was a student of Kung, and later his assistant. Kung had much to do with Kasper's appointment at Tubingen. As Peter Rossi used to say, "No good deed goes unpunished."

As I try to grasp what this must mean to Hans Kung, I try to imagine how I would feel should William McCready contribute to a book attacking me. But I cannot even picture the situation. Even if Professor McCready were not in better touch with his emotions than Professor Kasper apparently is, he still would not do such a thing. He is sufficiently Irish to know that you have only two things in life — your friends and your word. If you betray either, you have nothing else left.

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Fr. Andrew Greeley

Hans Kung has made the final mistake.

He has written a best seller. Such a crime is well calculated to mobilize simultaneously clerical envy and academic envy. No one who knows anything about either priests or professors will be surprised that the phenomenal success of "Christ Sein" has turned most of his German colleagues against Kung. If you write a book that stays on the best seller list for six months and sells almost 150,000 copies, you can count on being disowned by your friends and allies.

In order to put Kung in his place, his colleagues are busy putting together a book to take him apart — and one with a title which can piggy back on the popularity of "Christ Sein." You may as well make a few dollars — or a few deutschmarks — while you're cutting down a friend.

The strength of "Christ Sein" is that Kung has put into language which contemporary humans can understand the richness of the Christian tradition. He does not confuse Christianity with Marxist politics as do the liberation theologians — whom no one bothers to attack. He does. He is not leading Catholics out of the Church as the charismatic movement seems to be doing — though no one thinks it worth the time to take on the charismatics. He does not water down the transcendent themes of Christianity as have some of the very men who are attacking him. What then do his sometime friends

ON THE RIGHT SIDE



Fr. Paul J. Cuddy

About 9 Sunday evening, Jan. 25, I landed in Shortsville, 12 miles west of Geneva, to substitute for the pastor of St. Dominic's, Father John Wolock, for a few weeks. Wisdom suggests: "It is best to ease into the care of a parish rather than to block bust the place by rearranging established patterns according to a stranger's predilections." Monday was orientation to the vicinity, including a visit to the sick at Clifton Springs Hospital, five miles away. That evening my Angel whispered, "Why not slip south to Hornell, 60 miles away, and nail down some loose ends regarding the Angelus Productions." A.P. produces and promotes two religious programs both for radio and for cassettes: the Legion of Mary sponsored "Magnify the Lord" program, and "Father Brown's Sunday School," each or both aired on some 16 radio stations.

A study of the Terminus a quo to the Terminus ad quem within a tight time schedule was done. Mass at Shortsville is at 7:15 a.m. After Mass, Elmira-Corning, Father Richard Murphy's mother, the recently widowed Alice, energetically put breakfast together at the rectory. The parochial odds and ends were finished by 11 a.m. Then a phone call to Canandaigua rectory, six miles en route. "Who'll be in for lunch?" "Father William Roche is away. Father James Hewes is in Rochester. But Father David Gaesser and Oblate Father Keheally will be here." "Fine. Will you put on an extra plate? I will be in about noon." When the car drove into the parking lot adjacent to St. Mary's School, sharp-eyed and cheerful children were playing in the playing ground. Three little tykes hustled over curious and welcoming. "Hello, girls. Is Sister Diane in school?" (Sister Diane Dennie is a Webster girl, and principal of the school.) "Yes, Father. We'll take you to her!" And they seized my hands and escorted me to the principal's office with beautiful possessiveness. After a short greeting to Sister D. and one of the teachers, off to the rectory for a luncheon, enjoyable from the sacerdotal company, and crowned with a simmering, delicious Welch rare bit on toast.

Radio station WCGR broadcasts both "Magnify the Lord" and "Father Brown's Sunday School."

So at 1:30, to the radio station to strengthen fences. The station was founded by the late Mr. Wesley Kimball, and continues under the ownership of his sons, Russ and George Kimball. Russ was announcing at the station, and took time out to discuss our programs. He said: "There is, especially good listener reaction. I wonder how many people know how important it is to let stations know they are interested?"

Now the Terminus ad quem: radio station WLEA came next, to make a radio tape for next week's program. After the taping, the director, the tempestuous Kevin P. Doran and his wife, Nurse Mary Margaret Gibbs, took me to Sunset Restaurant for a large and luscious slab of lasagna. (MMGD is the sister of Brother Gabriel Gibbs, who is the prior of St. Benedict's Center at Springwater, Mass., about 50 miles from Boston. This is Father Leonard Feeney's group, now happily re-established with the Church after 25 years of tension. If anyone wants to sate his soul in "Old Church": Mass, Vespers, Rosary, Benediction, Angelus — all in Latin; meditation, examination of conscience, devotion to the Eucharist, to Our Lady, to the Pope, let him spend a few days at the center. The accommodations are a notch above primitive, and the spirit of the community is beautiful.)

Time pressed. So off to Shortsville at 9:30 p.m., stopping in on Father Jack Kienties in Cohocton, whose rousing welcome included: "Can you stay for the night?" Then five minutes at the Dispenza's, who run a nice motel next door, to send greetings to Father Herbert Sturmer, who would be in bed at that hour. Exactly at midnight the car rolled into St. Dominic's garage in Shortsville where a big black cat had taken up residence; and in ten minutes I plopped happily into bed. It had been a profitable day.

Some ask: "Why these travelogues instead of theology or ethics?" The answer is: "The travelogues are the most popular of articles, and this is spiritually healthy. The doctrines of the Communion of Saints, and of the Mystical Body have their reality when people are interested in the doings and the concerns of their brethren. What kind of a Church would we have if nobody cared about one another?"

CWCEVENT

The Catholic Women's Club of Rochester will hold a Pre-Lenten Day of Reflection at the Cenacle Retreat House, on Tuesday, Feb. 24. The day of prayer will be conducted by Father Dennis Shaw, assistant pastor of Blessed Sacrament Church, beginning at 9:15 a.m. Reservations are necessary through 482-0375.

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