

Dedication



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A statue of St. Francis deSales, patron of journalists, in the Courier-Journal offices, was dedicated on Feb. 14 to the memory of Thomas H. O'Connor who worked in the editorial department of the newspaper from 1932 to 1968. Bishop Hogan, above, dedicated the statue to "a dedicated Catholic journalist and a true Christian gentleman." Above, left, Bishop Hogan, Mrs. Helen O'Connor, Mr. O'Connor's widow, and Auxiliary Bishop John E. McCafferty, who delivered a short speech to members of the O'Connor family, left. He is rector of the cathedral parish where the O'Connors lived for many years. In his talk, Bishop McCafferty drew parallels between St. Francis and Mr. O'Connor, praising the work of each.

Fr. Lintz to Mark 40th Anniversary

Father Edward J. Lintz, Ph.D., pastor emeritus of the Church of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Brockport, and former Nazareth College professor, will observe the 40th anniversary of his ordination on Sunday, March 5.

Father Lintz will offer his Mass of Thanksgiving at 12:30 p.m. Msgr. William H. Shannon of Nazareth College will deliver the homily. A reception will be held from 4 until 6 p.m. in Brockport's Morgan-Manning House on Main Street.

The former pastor was at Nativity from 1954 until 1973, and has been back in Brockport since 1976. For the three years immediately following his retirement, he served at St. Anne's, Rochester.

He is a native of Rochester and was educated at Holy Rosary School, Aquinas Institute, Canisius College, Buffalo, St. Bernard's Seminary and the University of Fribourg in Switzerland. He taught at Aquinas for five years

before entering St. Bernard's. Having completed his studies for the priesthood at Fribourg, he was ordained there March 5, 1938, and remained to take his doctorate. He was professor of philosophy at Nazareth College from 1940 until 1954. During his last year on campus he served also as administrator of St. Gregory's in Marion. As Nativity pastor, Father Lintz doubled the capacity of the parish school and took an active part in community enterprises.



FATHER LINTZ

Operation Breadbox Underway in Diocese

Operation Bread Box, a program designed to educate diocesans about three impoverished countries as well as raise funds for agricultural self-help programs for each, is well under way in 70 parishes of the diocese.

Dr. John Kowalsky, this year's chairman for Bread Box, said that all the participating parishes have received the information packets on the project and 10 parishes have requested homilists to speak on the problems of world hunger so far.

The program, sponsored by the International Justice and Peace Commission, concentrates on areas in three third world countries that are having serious food problems.

Money raised during the

Lenten program will go to Gorom-Gorom in Upper Volta, Africa; Macuspana, Mexico and the Sayangun Catholic Mission in the Philippines. Both Gorom-Gorom and Macuspana were recipients last year. The Sayangun Mission was suggested as a recipient by State University at Brockport professors Dr. Robert Thompson and Dr. José Betancourt, a member of the Justice and Peace Commission.

Regions, parishes and individuals who are participating in Bread Box may select one of the three areas their money will go. Kowalsky said that Macuspana was selected by 30 parishes with the remainder divided equally among the other areas.

Kowalsky, who also teaches at Brockport State

in the Biology Department, noted that 75 percent of the money raised will be sent to the three areas. Twenty-five percent will go to local hunger efforts to be determined by diocesan regional assemblies.

All administrative costs for the project come out of the Justice and Peace Commission's budget, he added.

Operation Bread Box raised \$27,875.77 last year

THE LIFE OF CHRIST

A four-session adult education program, open to the public, begins Feb. 27 at St. Ambrose. It is entitled The Life of Christ. Speakers who will develop the theme are, in order, Jack Calareso, parish director of religious

education; Father Thomas Mull, Sister Mary Louise Heffernan and the pastor, Father James Marvin. Classes will run from 7 until 8 p.m. on successive Mondays. Child care will be provided.

He added that it is not too late for a parish to participate. If anyone is interested in the project they may call the International Justice and Peace Commission at (716) 328-6400.

Medicaid Abortions Seen As War Against the Poor

A bill to ban Medicaid abortions in New York State, except to save the life of the mother, has been introduced by State Sen. James H. Donovan of Chadwicks and 17 other senators.

Present administration policy permitting Medicaid payments for abortion constitutes a "war against the poor," Donovan said last week in a media release commenting on the bill, S-6722.

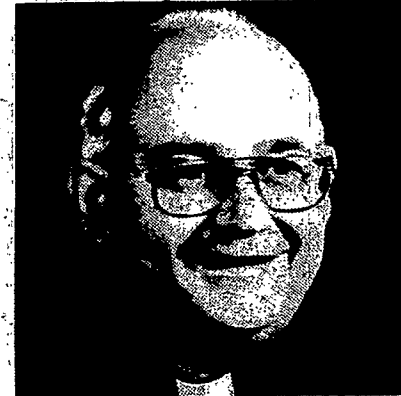
"We have never had a law permitting Medicaid abortions," he said. "The State of New York spent years in court trying to win the right to ban Medicaid abortions by regulation.

And when the state finally won that right, the victory turned suddenly hollow, for Governor Carey refused to exercise it."

Noting that New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Connecticut prohibit Medicaid abortions, he said it was up to the Legislature "to prevent New York from becoming the abortion mecca of the country."

"Poor women don't bear rich children, although some of those children might turn out that way if permitted to live," the senator said. "Poor women bear poor children, and apparently the administration thinks we can rid ourselves of poverty if we rid ourselves of the children."

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