For Luzon Missioner: A Rochester Party

Father Richard Kraft, SVD, a missioner in the Philippines for the past 24 years, will reach the 25th anniversary of his ordination this August. To raise some money for his work in the islands, the Womens Club of his home parish, St. Charles Borromeo, is planning a card party.

The party will begin at 8 p.m. Saturday, June 7, in the school hall, Maiden Lane at Dewey. Tickets will be sold after Masses next weekend, May 31-June 1. The price is $2.50 — $2.25 for senior citizens. There will be table prizes, snacks all evening long and dessert and coffee, the announcement says.

FR. KRAFT

Father Kraft, son of Mr. and Mrs. N. Raymond Kraft, is a graduate of St. Charles School and Aquinas Institute. During World War II he was with the U.S. Air Force as an aerial gunner in the South Pacific. After the war, he attended Notre Dame University for two years, then entered the Society of the Divine Word Seminary in Techny, Ill. He was ordained Aug. 15, 1955, in Techny and was assigned to the Philippines in 1956. Currently, he runs the only radio station in Abra, a province in mountainous northern Luzon. For eight years, he was pastor of a parish in Lacub, Abra, where he built a church, rectory and school.

The Womens Club committee hopes the card party will be a sellout in advance, but tickets will be sold at the door while they last, the announcement says.

New Trustees

Alfred C. Aman, Jr., associate professor of law at Cornell University Law School; and James S. Gleason, vice president-finance and treasurer of Gleason Works, have been elected to the University of Rochester Board of Trustees. Both are University of Rochester alumni.

Aman, a member of the Cornell Law School faculty since 1977, was graduated Phi Beta Kappa from the U of R in 1967. He will serve a six-year term as an alumni trustee.

Gleason, an executive at Gleason Works since 1959, received an M.B.A. degree from the univeristy's School of Management in 1972.

Rose Day

The Rochester Federation of Women's Clubs has slated its annual Rose Day distribution for Wednesday, June 11. Women's Club members from 34 different clubs distribute roses to many area nursing homes each year.

The roses may be picked up from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. at 348 Russell Ave., off Culver near Ridge Road East.

The annual Rose Day luncheon will take place the following day at Oak Hill Country Club beginning at 12 noon.

Local Group Joins Amnesty International

Members of Newman Community, State University College at Brockport, recently formed an "Inter-religious Urgent Action Network Group" of Amnesty International. Their first letter-writing session took place after Sunday morning Mass, May 18.

The group is working on case studies of two El Salvadorean men, Manuel Serrano and Saul Ortiz, which had been sent to the Group by Amnesty International. These men, political activists, were arrested by Government Security Forces on April 23 and subsequently disappeared. There has been no news of their whereabouts and their arrest has not been acknowledged by the Security Forces.

"In El Salvador, where Archbishop Oscar Romero was assassinated March 24 for his defense of the poor and the powerless, human rights violations have intensified sharply and it is estimated that some 2,000 people have died in political violence this year," the release said.

Amnesty International, a worldwide movement, works for the release of prisoners of conscience, the abolition of torture, and for more humane treatment for all prisoners. The organization only defends the rights of those prisoners who have not used or advocated violence.

The Inter-religious Urgent Action Network Groups are a collection of churches, synagogues and religious communities that work on urgent action campaigns on a monthly basis. Newman Community is one such group. The work is carried on mainly through letter-writing.

Each month members of the Group, composed of people concerned with the protection of people's human rights throughout the world, come together to write brief, politely-worded letters to government officials on behalf of prisoners who are at risk: prisoners facing torture, the death penalty, or those in need of immediate medical help. Urgent Action Groups, in a number of regions within the United States, flood the government involved with airmail letters and telegrams," the release said.

"Amnesty International has documented proof that letter-writing has been an effective tool. In 20 years they have secured the release of 13,000 prisoners in 110 countries and have improved the lot of many still in prison."

Fr. Kaiser Marks 25th in Illinois

Father Joseph Kaiser, a Rochesterian who has served the Rockford, Ill., diocese since his ordination, will celebrate the 25th anniversary of his priesthood this Sunday, May 25.

He is pastor of St. Peter's Church in Geneva, Ill. His parishioners plan a dinner-dance for Saturday night and a reception to follow the 2 p.m. anniversary Mass on Sunday.

Father Kaiser was born and reared in Rochester. He was ordained May 28, 1955, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Syracuse. He completed graduate studies in pastoral counseling and psychology at Loyola University, Chicago, in 1964. He has served parishes in four Rockford communities, and was chaplain at the Illinois State Training School for Girls and Boys, in Geneva, from 1960 until the institution's recent closing.

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Speaker Scheduled

Peter Patall, psychology professor at Monroe Community College, will speak on "Can Romantic Love Be Pathological?" at 7:30 p.m., Sunday, June 1, at St. Charles School Library, 3003 Dewey Ave. The talk is sponsored by the St. Charles Divorced Catholics Group.

Charismatics

Father Linus Hennessey, OFM, popular radio and television personality, will celebrate this month's charismatic Mass at St. Andrew's church, Sunday, June 1, at 3:30 p.m. Father Hennessey's media ministry is entitled "Comfort My People."

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PUZZLE ANSWERS FOR SUNDAY, JUNE 1, 1980

I. 1. John 2. truth 3. yellow 4. stab 5. mouse 6. suave 7. stucco 8. boat 9. fair 10. money 11. Diane 12. IOU

Key Passages I. Jesus said, "I have much more to tell you but you cannot bear it as of now."

II. Before the mountains were settled into place, before the hills, I was brought forth; while as yet the earth and the fields were not made, nor the first clods of the world.

III. And this hope will not leave us disappointed, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

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